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1 SCOPE

1.1 Identification

This document defines the interface connection between the Next Generation Weather Radar (NEXRAD) Radar Product Generation Group (RPG) and a Class 1 User or Radar Products Generator Operator's Position (RPGOP). RPG refers to the RPG equipment, 2830007, Pt 1 and Radar Product Generation Program CPCI-03, 2820003, Part 1.

1.2 System Overview

1.2.1 RPG

The RPG system is one component of the WSR-88D system. The WSR-88D system is used to gather weather information to be distributed to the National Weather Service (NWS), the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), the Department of Defense (DOD), and the general public. The RPG may be located with the RDA system in a shelter at the WSR-88D site, or may be located remotely, and communicate with the RDA through a wideband communication link. It is responsible for Base Data Ingest, Product Generation, Product Storage, Hydrometeorological Processing, Product Distribution, and Base Data Distribution.

1.2.2 Class 1 Users/RPGOP

The Class 1 user's systems may be located anywhere. They communicate with the RPG via dedicated phone lines. These systems issue product requests to the RPG, receive the products from the RPG, and display the products to an operator.

1.3 Document Overview

This document defines the application layer interface between the RPG and Class 1 users/RPGOP. For this interface, this document identifies applicable standards and defines messages, product format and meaning of the packet codes. This ICD is not intended to serve as a document concerning the applicable standards. That is, the reader is assumed to be generally knowledgeable of the contents, terminology, etc., of the standards. Distribution of this document is unrestricted.

This document is organized in 3 sections and two appendices:

Section 1 provides information regarding the identification, scope, purpose and organization of this document.

Section 2 contains information about documentation relevant to this ICD, including applicable, and information documents.

Section 3 provides an overview of the application interface, operating procedures and message formats.

Appendix A contains a list of abbreviations, acronyms, and selected definitions.

Appendix B contains a detailed description of the Radar Coded Message.

Appendix C contains data transmission characteristics.

Appendix D contains product data compression using BZIP2.

2 REFERENCE DOCUMENTS

2.1 Government Documents

2.1.1 Specifications

2830007, Pt 1	Prime Item Development Specification for RPG Equipment (B1, CI-07)
2810000C	WSR-88D System Specification
2820003B,Pt1	Computer Program Development Specification for Radar Product Generation Program (SRS, CPCI-03)
2620003B	Product Specification Interface Control Document
2620037	RPG X.25 Protocol Interface Control Document
Source:	ROC Configuration Management 3200 S. Marshall Ave Norman, Oklahoma 73072-8028

2.2 NON GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS

2.2.1 Industry Standards

<u>Reference Number</u>	<u>Title</u>
IEEE 754-1985	IEEE Standard for Binary Floating-Point Arithmetic

3 APPLICATION LAYER

The RPG application layer interface provides Class 1 users or RPGOPs with status messages and meteorological products.

3.1 Operating Procedures

Once the Class 1/RPGOP link is established and logically connected, application level message exchange may proceed. These messages consist of NEXRAD system status messages transmitted to the user, requests for weather product data transmitted from the user to the RPG, and weather product data transmitted from the RPG to the Class 1 user/RPGOP.

3.1.1 Initial Messages

3.1.1.1 General Status Message

Upon connection, the first Product Data Level message transmitted by the RPG to a Class 1 user/RPGOP is the General Status Message. The General Status Message describes the state of the Radar Acquisition (RDA) and RPG. This data informs the Class 1 user/RPGOP about operational modes, the scan strategy and equipment status of the RDA and RPG. Figure 3-17 provides a graphic representation of this message. Field identifiers are described (in halfword order) along with their respective units and range in this figure. As the state of the NEXRAD system changes over the life of the communications session, the Class 1 user/RPGOP will be kept up to date by transmission of a new General Status Message.

3.1.1.2 Alert Adaptation Parameters Message

The RPG transmits an Alert Adaptation Parameters Message to the Class 1 user/RPGOP after the initial General Status Message. The Class 1 user/RPGOP will also receive this message if any changes are made to the Alert Thresholds or Product Alert Pairing by the RPG. The Alert Adaptation Parameters Message is shown in Figure 3-20.

3.1.2 Requesting Weather Products

Requesting Weather Product Data over an Class 1 user/RPGOP dedicated line is accomplished by the Class 1 user/RPGOP sending a Product Request Message as defined in Figure 3-4, consisting of one Message Header Block, followed by one or more Product Request Blocks. Any available product (except User Alert Message and Free Text Message which may not appear on a routine product list) may be requested either on a one-time or routine basis.

3.1.2.1 Product Distribution and Availability

A Class 1 user/RPGOP may request any valid NEXRAD product. These products may be requested for routine generation or as a one-time product request. All products may not be available to all users due to system degradation, system load shedding, or because of a hardware or software problem.

3.1.2.2 NEXRAD Message Code Definitions

Table II shows the valid message codes for the NEXRAD system. Note that product requests have a message code equal to the product code of the product being transmitted (16 to 299). Product annotations have a negative message code equal in magnitude to the product being annotated. A product may have default annotations, or the Class 1 operator may add annotations to a product received from the RPG before transmission to their users. An RPGOP operator has the ability to annotate a product and transmit that product back to the RPG for distribution.

3.1.2.3 NEXRAD Weather Product Code Definitions

Table III shows the valid product code for the NEXRAD weather product to be transmitted to the user. Along with the product codes shown, the resolution, range, data level, and type of each product is shown.

3.1.2.4 Product Dependent Header Definitions

Table IIa shows the product dependent halfword definitions for the Product Request message (Figure 3-4). Table V shows the fields that are product dependent for the Product Description Block in Figure 3-6. The products are shown in alphabetical order along with the corresponding message code, content of the product dependent parameter, the halfword location, units, range and accuracy.

3.1.2.5 Requesting One-Time Products

One-time product requests are requested one product per request message. The RPG will transmit the product as it becomes available, based on the parameters specified by the Product Request Block portion of the Product Request Message, and consider the request satisfied.

3.1.2.6 Requesting Routine Products

Routine product requests are requested as a list of products. This is up to a maximum of 31 for a Class 1 user, 50 for an RPGOP_50 and 90 for RPGOP_90. A Class 1 or RPGOP_50 user may be connected via a x.25 or TCP/IP interface. A RPGOP_90 user is connected via a LAN TCP/IP connection. Routine product request lists have one Message Header Block with the "Number of Blocks" field set to the number-of-products-on-the-list + 1. The Message Header Block is then followed by a Product Request Block for each product on the routine product request list. The products on the routine list will then be sent automatically to the user, up to a maximum of once per volume scan, dependent upon the request parameters in the Product Request Block.

3.1.2.7 Request Response Message

If the RPG is unable to distribute a product to the user, or receives an invalid message, or request for an invalid product, the RPG will transmit a Request Response message as shown in Figure 3-18. This message describes the error condition, sequence number (if applicable) of the request that generated the response, and the product or message code of the message in question. All of the error conditions of this message nullify the product request for the reasons given in the message, with the exception of "Available Next Volume Scan" and "One-time Request Generation Process Faulted" errors, which inform the Class 1 user/RPGOP that the product will be sent in the next volume scan.

3.1.3 Alerting

3.1.3.1 Alert Request Message

Alert areas are defined by the Class 1 user/RPGOP and transmitted to the RPG via the Alert Request Message. The format for the message is shown in Figure 3-5. Alert categories and threshold codes are given in Table IV.

3.1.3.2 Alert Message

The Class 1 User/RPGOP is notified when the alert condition is first detected by the RPG, and when the alert condition ends, via the Alert Message. The Alert Message format is shown in Figure 3-19.

3.1.4 Environmental Data Messages

Environmental Data Messages are those importing meteorological, hydrometeorological, or other scientific or mathematical information into the RPG from the Class 1 user/ORPGOP. In all such

messages, the message code will be set to 15 in the Message Header Block (Figure 3-2), though individual messages will vary in content and format. The specific type of environmental data message will be indicated by the setting of the Block ID in the body of the message block that follows.

3.1.4.1 Bias Table Message

This message contains a table of bias adjustment factors and related information determined at the Class 1 user/ORPGOP site from rain gage vs. radar-estimated rainfall amounts over various memory timespans. The information is used to perform a mean-field bias adjustment upon precipitation accumulation products in the RPG. The Bias Table Message-type of Environmental Data Message is indicated by a Message Block ID of 1. The format of the message is shown in Figure 3-25.

3.1.5 Other Messages

3.1.5.1 Product List Message

The Product List Message defined in Figure 3-21 lists all products commanded for generation by the UCP operator. This message is only sent to the Class 1 user/RPGOP upon request. A Product List Message is requested by sending a Message Header Block (Figure 3-3) to the RPG and setting the message code to 8.

3.1.5.2 Radar Coded Message

The Radar Coded Message is produced in two stages, a pre-edit stage, and a post-edit stage. The pre-edit stage is produced at the RPG and transmitted to a single Class 1 user or RPGOP, designated by the UCP operator, for editing. After editing the post-edit version is transmitted back to the RPG for distribution. The Radar Coded Message is defined in Figures 3-22 and 3-23 and appendix B.

3.2 Message Description

3.2.1 Graphic Product Message

The RPG transmits products to the Class 1 User/RPGOP by using the Graphic Product message shown in Figure 3-6. The message consists of several blocks. Not all products require all blocks; however, the blocks are always transmitted in the order shown in Figure 3-6. One Header block and one Product Description block always precede the product. Products consist of one Product Symbology block (Block ID = 1), and zero or one of each of the Graphic Alphanumeric (Block ID = 2), and Tabular Alphanumeric blocks (Block ID = 3). The number of the last two blocks in each message used is product dependent.

3.2.1.1 Product Description Block

The Product Description block for product data transmission is shown in Figure 3-6 (sheets 2 through 4). Many field identifiers in the Product Description block are product dependent and therefore change depending upon the product being transmitted. Refer to Table V for the definitions of these fields and their corresponding products. The Products are listed by product name, in alphabetical order. As shown in Figure 3-6 (sheet 4), halfwords 55-60 contain offsets from the beginning of the message header (halfword 1) to the (-1) divider of each block indicated. If a product being transmitted does not require a block, or the data is not available, the offset to the block in question is set to zero. The first offset (halfword 55-56) is the offset to the Product Symbology block. The second offset (halfword 57-58) is the offset to the (-1) divider of the Graphic Alphanumeric block (Block ID = 2). The third offset is the offset to the Tabular Alphanumeric block (Block ID = 3).

Some products, by virtue of their size, require data compression. If a product is compressed, all product data following the Product Description block are compressed. Product dependent parameters defined within the Product Description block specify the compression method and size of the uncompressed product. The length of message in the *Message Header* block refers to the size of the compressed product. Refer to Table V for Product Description block definitions for compressed products. Appendix D describes the data compression method.

3.2.1.2 Product Symbology Block

The Product Symbology block is block ID number 1 and is shown in Figure 3-6 (sheet 5). It is always numbered as 1. If it is available in a product, it will always follow the Product Description block. In general, this block contains display data packets that make up the geographic display of the product. These packets contain vectors, text and special character symbols, map data, radial data, raster data, precipitation data, vector arrow data, wind barb data, and special graphic symbols. The packet formats are defined in Figures 3-7 through 3-14. The Symbology block may, depending upon the product, have multiple "layers" of packets. This is done only in products that have both image type data, mixed with non-image type data. An example of this is a Combined Moment product. It has reflectivity displayed as an image and vector arrow data that is defined with vector arrow packets. The layers are started with the (-1) divider. The product dependent data identified in Table VI is incorporated into the Product Symbology Block.

3.2.1.3 Graphic Alphanumeric Block

The Graphic Alphanumeric block is block ID number 2. It is the block in which display packets are defined to cause the storm related data to be displayed at the top of the geographic screen to amplify the corresponding graphic displayed symbology. The format of this block is shown graphically in Figure 3-6 (sheet 6). The only products for which this block is formatted are the following:

Product Code	Product Name
31	User Selectable Precipitation
35-38, 95-98	Composite Reflectivity, Composite Reflectivity Edited for AP
58	Storm Tracking Information
59	Hail Index
60	Mesocyclone
61	Tornado Vortex Signature
139	Mesocyclone Rapid Update
141	Mesocyclone Detection
143	Tornado Vortex Signature Rapid Update

The actual data within this block is a series of text packets that format the line data into 5 lines. The number of pages is data dependent. The text packet format used for the attributes is packet number 8 shown in Figure 3-8. Notice that I-start and J-start are defined as 1/4 km from the radar. The Graphic Attributes packets are not geographic, but are actual screen coordinates. Included in the text packet for each page of Attribute data is a series of vector packets to draw the grid lines. The vector packets used are shown in Figure 3-7. The product dependent data identified in Table VII is incorporated into the Graphic Alphanumeric Block.

3.2.1.4 Tabular Alphanumeric Block

The Tabular Alphanumeric block for product data transmission is Block ID number 3. It is always numbered 3 even though it may not be the third block in the product. The following products have a paired-alphanumeric product that is encoded as Block 3 (Figure 3-6, sheet 7). The paired-

alphanumeric product has a second Header and Product Description block as shown in the figure. It also has a unique message code. The products that have Block ID 3 are as follows:

Product Code	Product Name	Block 3 Message Code
48	VAD Wind Profile	100
58	Storm Tracking Information	101
59	Hail Index	102
60	Mesocyclone	103
61	Tornado Vortex Signature	104
87	Combined Shear	105
78	Surface Rainfall Accumulation (1 hour)	107
79	Surface Rainfall Accumulation (3 hours)	108
80	Storm Total Rainfall Accumulation	109
132	Clutter Likelihood Reflectivity	110
133	Clutter Likelihood Doppler	111
139	Mesocyclone Rapid Update	139
141	Mesocyclone Detection	141
143	Tornado Vortex Signature Rapid Update	143

The second header of the alphanumeric product is exactly the same as the header at the beginning of the message, except that the Message Code is as defined above. The Data portion of the alphanumeric product is ASCII text formatted into pages of 17 lines of 80-character data. Each page is separated by the (-1) divider. Alphanumeric products containing this block have it as the last block of the product message. The product dependent data identified in Table VIII is incorporated into the Tabular Alphanumeric Block.

3.2.2 Stand-Alone Tabular Alphanumeric Product Message

Figure 3-16 defines the Stand-Alone Tabular Alphanumeric Product Message. This message is used for products that are completely alphanumeric, and are not paired as described in subsection 3.2.1.4. The Stand-Alone Tabular Alphanumeric Products are: User Alert Message (product 73), Storm Structure (product 62), Free Text Message (product 75), PUP Text Message (product 77) and Supplemental Precipitation Data (product 82). The format of the Product Description block is identical to that for the Graphic Product Message, except the first offset is to the (-1) divider shown in Figure 316. The product dependent data identified in Table IX is incorporated into the Stand-Alone Tabular Alphanumeric Product Message.

3.2.3 Coordinate System

Three coordinate systems are supported for the expression of weather information:

- Geographic Cartesian
- Polar
- Screen Cartesian

A Geographic Cartesian coordinate system with origin at the radar and positive directions of North (up), and East (right) are supported. The coordinate system has a range of ± 512 kilometers with 1/4-kilometer resolution. Specifically, I (right) and J (up) coordinates range from -2048 to +2048 with negative coordinates in two complement form. Vectors are represented in this coordinate system.

A Polar coordinate system with origin at the radar and 0-degree radial North (up) is supported. The range coordinate covers from 0 to 460 kilometers with 1/4-kilometer resolution. The azimuth coordinate covers 0 to 360 degrees with 0.1-degree resolution. This resolution is necessary to achieve 0.1-degree resolution used system wide. Positive angles are clockwise. Specifically, theta coordinates range from 0 to 360 degrees. Images are represented in the Polar coordinate system. Each point in the display is represented by a display value.

A Screen Cartesian coordinate system with origin at the upper left corner and positive directions of X to the right and Y down are supported. The X coordinate ranges from 0 to 639 pixels and the Y-coordinate ranges from 0 to 511 pixels. X can be expressed in 10 bits and Y in 9 bits. The screen coordinate system is used to identify the location of text on the screen.

	MSB	HALFWORD	LSB	
MESSAGE HEADER BLOCK	MESSAGE CODE			01
	DATE OF MESSAGE			02
	TIME OF MESSAGE (MSW)			03
	TIME OF MESSAGE (LSW)			04
	LENGTH OF MESSAGE (MSW)			05
	LENGTH OF MESSAGE (LSW)			06
	SOURCE ID			07
	DESTINATION ID			08
	NUMBER OF BLOCKS			09

HALF WORD	FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
01	Message Code	INT*2	N/A	-131 to -16, 0 to +211	N/A	NEXRAD Message Code defined in Table II
02	Date of Message	INT*2	Julian Date	1 to 32,767	1	Modified Julian Date at time of transmission (number of days since 1 January 1970, where 1=1 January 1970). To obtain actual Julian Date, add 2,440,586.5 to the modified date
03-04	Time of Message	INT*4	Seconds	0 to 86,399	1	Number of seconds after midnight, Greenwich Mean Time (GMT).
05-06	Length of Message	INT*4	N/A	18 to 409856	1	Number of bytes in message including header
07	Source ID	INT*2	N/A	0 to 999	1	Source (originators') ID of the sender
08	Destination ID	INT*2	N/A	0 to 999	1	Destination ID (receivers') for message transmission
09	Number Blocks	INT*2	N/A	1 to 51	1	Header Block plus the Product Description Blocks in message

Figure 3-3. Message Header

	MSB	HALFWORD	LSB
		MESSAGE HEADER BLOCK (see Figure 3-3)	
PRODUCT		(-1) DIVIDER	10
REQUEST		LENGTH OF BLOCK	11
BLOCK		PRODUCT CODE	12
		FLAG BITS	13
		SEQUENCE NUMBER	14
		NUMBER OF PRODUCTS	15
		REQUEST INTERVAL	16
		VOLUME SCAN DATE	17
		VOL SCAN START TIME (MSW)	18
		VOL SCAN START TIME (LSW)	19
		PRODUCT DEPENDENT	20
		"	21
		"	22
		"	23
		"	24
		"	25

Figure 3-4. Product Request Message (Sheet 1)

HALFWORD	FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
10	Block Divider	INT*2	N/A	-1	N/A	Value of -1 used to delineate the Header from the Product Description Block(s)
11	Length of Block	INT*2	N/A	32	1	Number of bytes in block, including block divider, in the Product Description Block
12	Product Code	INT*2	N/A	16 to 131	N/A	Internal NEXRAD product code corresponding to a weather product in Table I
13	Flag Bits	INT*2	N/A	0,1/bit	N/A	Bit # Value Meaning 0 1 High Priority 0 0 Low Priority 1 1 Map Requested (Bit 0=MSB)
14	Sequence Number	INT*2	N/A	1 to 32,767	1	Monotonically increase for tracking of request
15	Number of Products	INT*2	N/A	-1, 1 to 9	1	-1 for continuous (RPS) product transmission. 1 to 9 for one-time requests, when Volume Scan Start Time of Product (halfwords 18, 19) is = -1 (equivalent to PUP Repeat Count). NOTE: For RPS requests, the number of products requested is determined from the Number of Blocks fields of the Message Header.
16	Request Interval	INT*2	N/A	1 to 9	1	If Volume Scan Start Time of Product is >=0 or -2, then Request Interval is 1. If Volume Scan Start Time of Product is = -1, then the range is 1 to 9 and corresponds to the interval of the number of scans to send the product, where: 1 = every volume scan

HALFWORD	FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
						2 = every other volume scan . . . 9 = every ninth volume scan
17	Volume Scan Date of Product*	INT*2	Julian Date	-2,0 to 32,767	1	Modified Julian date at beginning of volume scan
18-19	Volume Scan Start Time of Product*	INT*4	Seconds	-2 to 86,399	1	Seconds after Midnight (Greenwich Mean Time)** or -1 requests current product -2 requests latest available product**
20-25	Product Dependent	INT*2	N/A	N/A	N/A	See Table II-A

Figure 3-4. Product Request Message (Sheet 2)

*Volume scan date is only applicable for one-time product request to that have a time in the range [0-86399]. If a volume scan date and time are specified, it corresponds to the volume scan start date and time that is searched for that product.

**For one-time product requests, if specifying the volume scan date and time or latest available and the product has elevation parameters then only the specific angle is allowed in the request. The feature described in Note 9 will result in a Request Response Message indicating Invalid Product Parameters.

Table II. NEXRAD Message Code Definitions

MESSAGE CODE	MESSAGE TYPE	FIGURE
0,13	Product Request, Product Request Cancel	3-4
1	Spare	-
2	General Status	3-17
3	Request Response	3-18
4	Maximum Connection Time Disable Request	N/A
5	Spare	-
6	Alert Adaptation Parameter Message	3-20
7	Alert Request Message	3-5
8	Product List	3-21
9	Alert Message	3-19
10	Spare	-
11	Sign-on Request Message (Dial -up Users)	N/A
12	Spare	-
14	Spare	-
15	Environmental Data: Bias Table Message	3-25
16 to 111	Products (See Table III for individual Product Codes)	
112 to 131	Reserved for future Products	
132-134	Products (See Table III for Individual Product Codes)	
135	Reserved for future Product	
136 to 138	Products (See Table III for Individual Product Codes)	
139-143	Reserved for future Products	
144-151	Products (See Table III for Individual Product Codes)	
152-299	Reserved for future Products	
Negative	Annotations have a negative message code equal in magnitude to that of the Product being annotated	

Table IIa. Product Dependent Halfword Definitions for Product Request Message

Product Name	Msg Code (s)	Half-Word #	Content	Units (INT*2)	Range	Accuracy/Precision
Base Products, ITWS Digital Base Velocity, Clutter Likelihood (Reflectivity and Doppler), Meso Rapid Update	16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 93, 94, 99, 132, 133, 139	22	Elevation Angle	Degrees	-1.0 to 45.0	.1, Note 1, 9
Severe Weather Analysis	43, 44, 45, 46	20 21 22	Azimuth of Window Center Range of Window Center Elevation Angle	Degree Nmi Degree	0 to 359.9 0 to 124.0 -1.0 to 45.0	.1, Note 1 .1, Note 1 .1, Note 1, 9
Cross Section	50, 51 85, 86	20 21 22 23	Azimuth of Point 1 Range of Point 1 Azimuth of Point 2 Range of Point 2	Degree Nmi Degree Nmi	0 to 359.9 0 to 124.0 Same as Point 1 Same as Point 1	.1, Note 1 .1, Note 1 .1, Note 1 .1, Note 1
Storm Relative Mean Radial Velocity Region	55	20 21 22 23 24	Azimuth of Window Center Range of Window Center Elevation Angle Storm Speed Storm Direction	Degree Nmi Degree Knots Degrees	0 to 359.9 0 to 124.0 -1.0 to 45.0 0 to 99.9 0 to 359.9	.1, Note 1 .1, Note 1 .1, Note 1, 9 .1, Note 1, 2 .1, Note 1
Storm Relative Mean Radial Velocity Map	56	22 23 24	Elevation Angle Storm Speed Storm Direction	Degree Knots Degrees	-1.0 to 45.0 0 to 99.9 0 to 359.9	.1, Note 1, 9 .1, Note 1, 3 .1, Note 1
VAD	84	22	Altitude	K Feet	0 to 70	1
User Selectable Precipitation (Note 5)	31	20 21	End Hour Time Span	Hours Hours	-1.0 to 23, 1 to 24	1, Note 6 1
User Selectable Layer	137	20 21	Bottom Altitude of Layer Top Altitude of	K Feet K Feet	0 to 69 1 to 70	1 1, Note 8

Product Name	Msg Code (s)	Half-Word #	Content	Units (INT*2)	Range	Accuracy/Precision
Composite Reflectivity			Layer			
Clutter Filter Control (Note 5)	34	20	Bit Map	N/A	0,1 bit	N/A, Note 7
Tornado Vortex Signature Rapid Update	143	22	Elevation Angle	Degrees	-1.0 to 45.0	.1, Note 1,9
Digital Mesocyclone Detection	149	30	Elevation Angle	Degree	-1.0 to +45.0	.1, Note 1,9
User Selectable Snow Accumulations (Note 5)	150, 151	20 21	End Hour Time Span	Hours Hours	-1 to 23 1 to 24	1, Note 6 1

Note 1. Scaled Integer.

Note 2. A value of -1 indicates that the storm motion is that of the storm closest to the window center.

Note 3. A value of -- 1 indicates that the storm motion is that of the vector average of all currently identified storms.

Note 4. Defines up to eight user selected elevation angles available in the current scan strategy. Scan strategy may contain 20 cuts. Each elevation cut selection is represented by a unique bit setting. Bit 1 of halfword 23 corresponds to elevation cut #1. Bit 4 of halfword 24 corresponds to elevation cut #20. Bit 0 of halfword 23 is the MSB and is not used.

Note 5. One-time requests for this product should use the "latest available" request option. That is, place -2 in the volume scan start time field (halfword 18-19).

Note 6. A value of -1 indicates that the end time will be the time of the most recent hourly update.

Note 7. Defines the clutter map segment number and channel type. Bit 15 defines the channel type. If bit 15 is 0, then the surveillance channel map is requested. If bit 15 is 1, then the Doppler channel map is requested. Bits 14 through 10 specify evaluation segment numbers 1 through 5, respectively. Set the bit number of the segment being requested. Segment 1 is the lowest clutter filter map, segment 2 is the upper clutter filter map. Segments 3 through 5 are for future expansion.

Note 8: Minimum layer thickness is 1 K Feet

Note 9: Bits 0-12 (bit 0 is LSB) of halfword represents scaled elevation angle. For elevation angles > 0 , the elevation angle is denoted degrees*10. For elevation angles ≤ 0 , the angle is denoted 3600 + degrees*10.

Bits 13-15 have special meaning. If bits 13-15 are not set, bits 0-12 denote elevation angle as described above. Bit 15 is reserved for future use and should never be set. If bit 14 is set (bits 15 and 13 not set) and bits 0-12 not set, then all elevation angles of the volume coverage pattern are requested. If bit 14 is set (bits 15 and 13 not set), bits 0-12 may be used to denote elevation angle as described above. In this case, all elevation angles of the volume coverage pattern matching the specified elevation angle are requested. If bit 13 is set (bits 15 and 14 not set), then all elevation angles at or below the angle specified by bits 0-12 are requested. If bit 13 and 14 are set (bit 15 is not set), then 0-12 specifies a elevation cut number. The lowest numbers of cuts (specified by the cut number) are requested.

If the elevation parameter specifies multiple requests, each request counts against the maximum product count specified for the requestor. This check is only done when the request is first received at the RPG.

Table III. Message Codes for Products

CODE	NTR	PRODUCT NAME	RESOLUTION	RANGE	DATA LEVEL	MESSAGE FORMAT
16	1	Base Reflectivity	.54 x 1 Nmi x Deg	124	8	Radial Image
17	1	Base Reflectivity	1.1 x 1 Nmi x Deg	248	8	Radial Image
18	1	Base Reflectivity	2.2 x 1 Nmi x Deg	248	8	Radial Image
19	1	Base Reflectivity	.54 x 1 Nmi x Deg	124	16	Radial Image
20	1	Base Reflectivity	1.1 x 1 Nmi x Deg	248	16	Radial Image
21	1	Base Reflectivity	2.2 x 2 Nmi x Deg	248	16	Radial Image
22	2	Base Velocity	.13 x 1 Nmi x Deg	32	8	Radial Image
23	2	Base Velocity	.27 x 1 Nmi x Deg	62	8	Radial Image
24	2	Base Velocity	.54 x 1 Nmi x Deg	124	8	Radial Image
25	2	Base Velocity	.13 x 1 Nmi x Deg	32	16	Radial Image
26	2	Base Velocity	.27 x 1 Nmi x Deg	62	16	Radial Image
27	2	Base Velocity	.54 x 1 Nmi x Deg	124	16	Radial image
28	3	Base Spectrum Width	.13 x 1 Nmi x Deg	32	8	Radial Image
29	3	Base Spectrum Width	.27 x 1 Nmi x Deg	62	8	Radial Image
30	3	Base Spectrum Width	.54 x 1 Nmi x Deg	124	8	Radial Image
31	32	User Selectable Storm Total Precipitation	1.1 x 1 Nmi x Deg	124	16	Radial Image/Geographic Alpha
32	33	Digital Hybrid Scan Reflectivity	.54 x 1 Nmi x Deg	124	256	Radial Image
33	33	Hybrid Scan Reflectivity	.54 x 1 Nmi x Deg	124	16	Radial Image
34	34	Clutter Filter Control	1 x 1.4 Km x Deg	124	8	Radial Image
35	6	Composite Reflectivity	.54 x .54 Nmi x Nmi	124	8	Raster Image/Non-geographic Alpha
36	6	Composite Reflectivity	2.2 x 2.2 Nmi x Nmi	248	8	Raster Image/Non-geographic Alpha
37	6	Composite	.54 x .54 Nmi x	124	16	Raster

CODE	NTR	PRODUCT NAME	RESOLUTION	RANGE	DATA LEVEL	MESSAGE FORMAT
		Reflectivity	Nmi			Image/Non-geographic Alpha
38	6	Composite Reflectivity	2.2 x 2.2 Nmi x Nmi	248	16	Raster Image/Non-geographic Alpha
39		Spare				
40		Spare				
41	8	Echo Tops	2.2 x 2.2 Nmi x Nmi	124	16	Raster Image
42		Spare				
43	10	Severe Weather (Reflectivity)	.54 x 1 Nmi x Deg	27	16 Ref	Radial Image (Reflectivity)
44	10	Severe Weather (Velocity)	.13 x 1 Nmi x Deg	27	16 Vel	Radial Image (Velocity)
45	10	Severe Weather (Spectrum Width)	.13 x 1 Nmi x Deg	27	8	Radial Image (Spectrum Width)
46	10	Severe Weather (Shear)	.27 x 1 Nmi x Deg	27	16 Sh	Radial Image (Shear)
47	11	Severe Weather Probability	2.2 x 2.2 Nmi x Nmi	124	N/A	Geographic Alphanumeric
48	12	VAD Wind Profile	5 Knots	N/A	5	Non-geographic Alphanumeric
49		Spare			16	Raster Image/Non-geographic Alphanumeric
50	14	Cross Section (Reflectivity)	.54 Horizontal x .27 Vert Nmi x Nmi	124	16	Raster Image (Reflectivity)
51	14	Cross Section (Velocity)	.54 Horizontal x .27 Vert Nmi x Nmi	124	16	Raster Image (Velocity)
52		Spare				
53		Spare				
54	-----Reserved-----					
55	16	Storm Relative Mean Radial Velocity	.27 x 1 Nmi x Deg	27	16	Radial Image (Region)
56	16	Storm Relative Mean Radial Velocity	.54 x 1 Nmi x Deg	124	16	Radial Image (Map)
57	17	Vertically Integrated Liquid	2.2 x 2.2 Nmi x Nmi	124	16	Raster Image
58	18	Storm Tracking Information	N/A	248	N/A	Geographic and Non-geographic Alpha

CODE	NTR	PRODUCT NAME	RESOLUTION	RANGE	DATA LEVEL	MESSAGE FORMAT
59	19	Hail Index	N/A	124	N/A	Geographic and Non-geographic Alpha
60	20	Mesocyclone	N/A	124	N/A	Geographic and Non-geographic Alpha
61	21	Tornado Vortex Signature	N/A	124	N/A	Geographic and Non-geographic Alphanumeric
62	22	Storm Structure	N/A	248	N/A	Alphanumeric
63	23	Layer Composite Reflectivity	2.2 x 2.2 Nmi x Nmi	124	8 Avg	Raster Image (Layer 1 Average)
64	23	Layer Composite Reflectivity	2.2 x 2.2 Nmi x Nmi	124	8 Avg	Raster Image (Layer 2 Average)
65	23	Layer Composite Reflectivity	2.2 x 2.2 Nmi x Nmi	124	8 Max	Raster Image (Layer 1 Maximum)
66	23	Layer Composite Reflectivity	2.2 x 2.2 Nmi x Nmi	124	8 Max	Raster Image (Layer 2 Maximum)
67	23	Layer Composite Reflectivity - AP Removed	2.2 x 2.2 Nmi x Nmi	124	8 Max	Raster Image
68		Spare				
69		Spare				
70		Spare				
71		Spare				
72		Spare				
73	25	User Alert Message	N/A	N/A	N/A	Alphanumeric
74	26	Radar Coded Message	1/16 LFM	248	9	Alphanumeric
75	27	Free Text Message	N/A	N/A	N/A	Alphanumeric
76	-----	Reserved for internal PUP use -----				
77	27	PUP Free Text Message	N/A	N/A	N/A	Alphanumeric
78	28	Surface Rainfall Accum. (1 hr)	1.1 x 1 Nmi x Deg	124	16	Radial Image
79	28	Surface Rainfall Accum. (3 hr)	1.1 x 1 Nmi x Deg	124	16	Radial Image
80	29	Storm Total Rainfall Accumulation	1.1 x 1 Nmi x Deg	124	16	Radial Image
81	30	Hourly Digital	1/40 LFM	124	256/8	Raster Image /

CODE	NTR	PRODUCT NAME	RESOLUTION	RANGE	DATA LEVEL	MESSAGE FORMAT
		Precipitation Array				Alphanumeric
82	31	Supplemental Precipitation Data	N/A	N/A	N/A	Alphanumeric
83		Spare			9	
84	12	Velocity Azimuth Display	5 Knots	N/A	8	Non-geographic Alphanumeric
85	14	Cross Section Reflectivity	.54 Horizontal x .27 Vert Nmi x Nmi	124	8	Raster Image (Reflectivity)
86	14	Cross Section Velocity	.54 Horizontal x .27 Vert Nmi x Nmi	124	8	Raster Image (Velocity)
87	4	Combined Shear	Adaptable Nmi x Nmi	62	16	Raster Image
88		Spare				
89	23	Layer Composite Reflectivity	2.2 x 2.2 Nmi x Nmi	124	8 Avg	raster Image - Layer 3 Average
90	23	Layer Composite Reflectivity	2.2 x 2.2 Nmi x Nmi	124	8 Max	Raster Image - Layer 3 Maximum
91-92		Reserved for internal PUP and RPG Use				
93	35	ITWS Digital Base Velocity	.54 x 1 Nmi x Deg	Lesser of 62 Nmi or 18Kft AGL	256	Radial Image
94	1	Base Reflectivity Data Array	.54 x 1 Nmi x Deg	248	256	Radial Image
95	6	Composite Reflectivity Edited for AP	.54x.54 Nmi x Nmi	124	8	Raster Image/Non-geographic Alpha
96	6	Composite Reflectivity Edited for AP	2.2 x 2.2 Nmi x Nmi	248	8	Raster Image/Non-geographic alpha
97	6	Composite Reflectivity Edited for AP	.54 x .54 Nmi x Nmi	124	16	Raster Image/Non-geographic Alpha
98	6	Composite Reflectivity Edited for AP	2.2 x 2.2 Nmi x Nmi	248	16	Raster Image/Non-geographic Alpha
99	2	Base Velocity Data Array	.13 x 1 Nmi x Deg	124	256	Radial Image

CODE	NTR	PRODUCT NAME	RESOLUTION	RANGE	DATA LEVEL	MESSAGE FORMAT
100		Site Adaptable parameters for VAD Wind Profile (Product 48)				
101		Storm Track Alphanumeric Block				
102		Hail Index Alphanumeric Block				
103		Mesocyclone Alphanumeric Block				
104		TVS Alphanumeric Block				
105		Site Adaptable Parameters for Combined Shear				
106		Spare				
107		Surface Rainfall (1 hr) Alphanumeric Block				
108		Surface Rainfall (3 hr) Alphanumeric Block				
109		Storm Total Accumulation Alphanumeric Block				
110		Clutter Likelihood Reflectivity Alphanumeric Block				
111		Clutter Likelihood Doppler Alphanumeric Block				
112-131		Reserved for Future Products				
132	36	Clutter Likelihood Reflectivity	.54 x 1 Nmi. x Deg	124	11	Radial Image

CODE	NTR	PRODUCT NAME	RESOLUTION	RANGE	DATA LEVEL	MESSAGE FORMAT
133	37	Clutter Likelihood Doppler	.54 x 1 Nmi. x Deg	124	12	Radial Image
134	39	High Resolution VIL	.54 x 1 Nmi x Deg	248	256	Radial Image
135	41	Enhanced Echo Tops	.54 x 1 Nmi x Deg	186	199	Radial Image
136	38	SuperOb	Adaptable, default = 5 km x 6 deg	Adaptable, default = 100 km	N/A	Latitude, Longitude (ICD packet code 27)
137	40	User Selectable Layer Composite Reflectivity	0.54 Nmi x1Deg	124 nmi	16	Radial image
138	29	Digital Storm Total Precipitation	1.1Nmi x 1Deg	124	256	Radial Image
139	20	Mesocyclone Rapid Update	N/A	124	N/A	Geographic and Non-geographic Alpha
140		Reserved for Future Products				
141	20	Mesocyclone Detection	N/A	124	N/A	Geographic and Non-geographic Alpha
143	21	Tornado Vortex Signature Rapid Update	N/A	124	N/A	Geographic and Non-geographic Alphanumeric
144	42	One-hour Snow Water Equivalent	0.54 x 1 Nmi x Deg	124	16	Radial Image
145	42	One-hour Snow Depth	0.54 x 1 Nmi x Deg	124	16	Radial Image
146	43	Storm Total Snow Water Equivalent	0.54 x 1 Nmi x Deg	124	16	Radial Image
147	43	Storm Total Snow Depth	0.54 x 1 Nmi x Deg	124	16	Radial Image
149	20	Digital Mesocyclone Detection	N/A	124	N/A	Generic Data Format
150	44	User Selectable Snow Water Equivalent	0.54 x 1 Nmi x Deg	124	16	Radial Image
151	44	User Selectable Snow Depth	0.54 x 1 Nmi x Deg	124	16	Radial Image

CODE	NTR	PRODUCT NAME	RESOLUTION	RANGE	DATA LEVEL	MESSAGE FORMAT
152-160		Reserved for Future Products				
161-170		Reserved for Future Products				
171-180		Reserved for Future Products				
181-190		Reserved for Future Products				
191-200		Reserved for Future Products				
201-210		Reserved for Future Products				
211-220		Reserved for Future Products				
221-230		Reserved for Future Products				
231-240		Reserved for Future Products				
241-250		Reserved for Future Products				
251-260		Reserved for Future Products				
261-270		Reserved for Future Products				
271-280		Reserved for Future Products				
281-290		Reserved for Future Products				
291-296		Reserved for Internal RPG Use.				
297-299		Reserved for Internal RPG use				

Note: For all message codes for products: Units is N/A, Range is 0 to value shown and Accuracy/Precision is 1.1.

	MSB	HALFWORD	LSB
MESSAGE HEADER BLOCK		MESSAGE HEADER BLOCK (see Figure 3-3)	
	(-1) BLOCK DIVIDER		
	LENGTH OF BLOCK		
	ALERT AREA NUMBER (1 or 2)		
	NUMBER OF CATEGORIES		
ALERT CATEGORY DEFINITION (REPEAT FOR EACH CATEGORY)		ALERT CATEGORY THRESHOLD CODE	
		PRODUCT REQUEST FLAG	
	• •		
	• •		
	• •		
		ALERT BOX BITS 0 - 15	ALERT BOX ROW 1
		ALERT BOX BITS 16 - 31	
		ALERT BOX BITS 32 - 47	
		ALERT BOX BITS 48 - 63	
ALERT GRID	• •		
	• •		
		ALERT BOX BITS 0 - 15	ALERT BOX ROW 58
		ALERT BOX BITS 16 - 31	
		ALERT BOX BITS 32 - 47	
		ALERT BOX BITS 48 - 63	

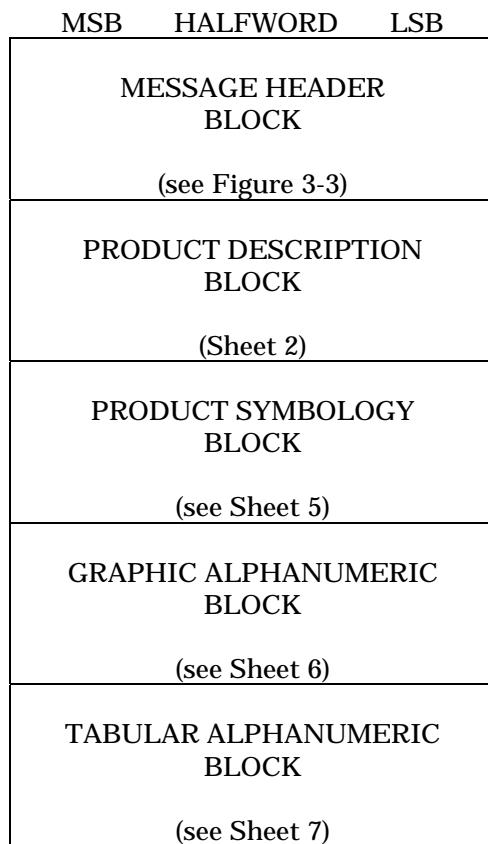
Figure 3-5. Alert Request Message (Sheet 1)

FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ACCURACY	REMARKS
Block Divider	INT*2	N/A	-1	N/A	Integer value of -1 used to delineate the header from the Alert Request Block
Length of Block	INT*2	Bytes	472 - 532	1	Number of bytes from -1 block divider to the end of this message
Alert Area Number	INT*2	N/A	1 to 2	1	A maximum of 2 alert areas may be defined per user
Number of Categories	INT*2	N/A	0 to 10	1	A maximum of 10 alert categories may be defined per message
Alert Category	INT*2	N/A	1 to 41	1	Alert category (refer to Table IV)
Threshold Code	INT*2	N/A	1 to 6	N/A	Parameter dependent threshold code that triggers alert (refer to Table IV)
Product Request Flag	INT*2	N/A	0 to 1	N/A	Determines whether a product is requested for the alert when the threshold is met: 0 = product not requested 1 = product requested
Alert Box Bits: 0 - 15 16 - 31 32 - 47 48 - 63	Integer	N/A	0,1	N/A	Bits 0-57 correspond to the 58 alert boxes contained in each row of Alert Grid. Bits 58 must be set to zero to facilitate checking of empty rows. Each alert Grid contains 58 rows of 16 x 16 Km alert boxes

Figure 3-5. Alert Request Message (Sheet 2)

Table IV. Alert Categories and Threshold Codes

ALERT CATEGORY		THRESHOLD CODES
	GRID GROUP	
1	Velocity	1,2,3,4,5,6
2	Composite Reflectivity	1,2,3,4,5,6
3	Echo Tops	1,2,3,4
4	Severe Weather	1,2,3,4,5
5	Probability	-
6	Spare	-
	Vertically Integrated Liquid	1,2,3,4,5,6
	VOLUME GROUP	
7	Velocity Azimuth Display	1,2,3,4,5,6
8	Maximum Size Hail	1,2,3,4,5,6
9	Mesocyclone	1,2,3
10	Tornado Vortex Signature	1,2
11	Maximum Storm	1,2,3,4,5,6
12	Reflectivity	-
13	Probability of Hail	1,2,3,4,5,6
14	Probability of Several Hail	1,2,3,4,5,6
15	Storm Top	1,2,3,4,5,6
	Maximum 1 Hour Rainfall	1,2,3,4
	Accumulation	-
16-24	Spare	-
	FORECAST GROUP	
25	Maximum Hail Size	1,2,3,4,5,6
26	Mesocyclone	1,2,3
27	Tornado Vortex Signature	1,2
28	Maximum Storm	1,2,3,4,5,6
29	Reflectivity	-
30	Probability of Hail	1,2,3,4,5,6
31	Probability of Several Hail	1,2,3,4,5,6
32-41	Storm Top	1,2,3,4,5,6
	Spare	-



Note: All blocks need not be used. Any blocks that are used must remain in the order shown above.

Figure 3-6. Graphic Product Message (Sheet 1)

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION BLOCK	MSB	HALFWORD	LSB
10		(-1) BLOCK DIVIDER	
11	LATITUDE OF RADAR	(MSW)	
12		(LSW)	
13	LONGITUDE OF RADAR	(MSW)	
14		(LSW)	
15	HEIGHT OF RADAR		
16	PRODUCT CODE		
17	OPERATIONAL MODE		
18	VOLUME COVERAGE PATTERN		
19	SEQUENCE NUMBER		
20	VOLUME SCAN NUMBER		
21	VOLUME SCAN DATE		
22	VOLUME SCAN START	(MSW)	
23	TIME	(LSW)	
24	PRODUCT GENERATION DATE		
25	PRODUCT GENERATION	(MSW)	
26	TIME	(LSW)	
27	PRODUCT DEPENDENT (P1)		(SEE TABLE V)
28	PRODUCT DEPENDENT (P2)		(SEE TABLE V)
29	ELEVATION NUMBER		
30	PRODUCT DEPENDENT (P3)		(SEE TABLE V)
31	DATA LEVEL 1 THRESHOLD		(SEE NOTE, SHEET 11)
32	DATA LEVEL 2 THRESHOLD		
33	DATA LEVEL 3 THRESHOLD		
34	DATA LEVEL 4 THRESHOLD		
35	DATA LEVEL 5 THRESHOLD		
36	DATA LEVEL 6 THRESHOLD		
37	DATA LEVEL 7 THRESHOLD		
38	DATA LEVEL 8 THRESHOLD		
39	DATA LEVEL 9 THRESHOLD		
40	DATA LEVEL 10 THRESHOLD		
41	DATA LEVEL 11 THRESHOLD		
42	DATA LEVEL 12 THRESHOLD		
43	DATA LEVEL 13 THRESHOLD		
44	DATA LEVEL 14 THRESHOLD		
45	DATA LEVEL 15 THRESHOLD		
46	DATA LEVEL 16 THRESHOLD		
47	PRODUCT DEPENDENT (P4)		(SEE TABLE V)
48	" (P5)		
49	" (P6)		
50	" (P7)		
51	" (P8)		
52	" (P9)		
53	" (P10)		
54	VERSIONS	SPOT BLANK	
55	OFFSET TO GRAPHIC	(MSW)	
56		(LSW)	
57	OFFSET TO GRAPHIC	(MSW)	
58		(LSW)	
59	OFFSET TO TABULAR	(MSW)	
60		(LSW)	

Figure 3-6. Graphic Product Message (Sheet 2)

	MSB	HALFWORD	LSB	
PRODUCT	(-1) BLOCK DIVIDER			
SYMOLOGY	BLOCK ID (1)			
BLOCK	LENGTH OF BLOCK	(MSW)	(LSW)	
	NUMBER OF LAYERS			
	(-1) LAYER DIVIDER			
	LENGTH OF DATA LAYER	(MSW)	(LSW)	
	DISPLAY DATA PACKETS			SEE FIGURES 3-6 THRU 3-14
	• • •			
	(-1) LAYER DIVIDER			
	LENGTH OF DATA LAYER	(MSW)	(LSW)	
	DISPLAY DATA PACKETS			SEE FIGURES 3-6 THRU 3-14

Figure 3-6. Graphic Product Message (Sheet 3)

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	MSB	HALFWORD	LSB
GRAPHIC		BLOCK DIVIDER (-1)	
ALPHANUMERIC		BLOCK ID (=2)	
BLOCK		LENGTH OF BLOCK (MSW) (LSW)	
		NUMBER OF PAGES	
REPEAT FOR EACH PAGE		PAGE NUMBER	
		LENGTH OF PAGE	
		TEXT PACKET 1	
		•	
		•	
		•	
		TEXT PACKET N	

Figure 3-6. Graphic Product Message (Sheet 4)

		MSB	HALFWORD	LSB	
TABULAR			BLOCK DIVIDER (-1)		
ALPHANUMERIC			BLOCK ID (=3)		
BLOCK		LENGTH OF BLOCK	(MSW)		
		(LSW)			SECOND
		MESSAGE HEADER BLOCK (see Figure 3-3)			HEADER
		PRODUCT DESCRIPTION BLOCK (see sheet 2)			AND
		BLOCK DIVIDER (-1)			PRODUCT
		NUMBER OF PAGES			DESCRIPTION
REPEAT	REPEAT	NUMBER OF CHARACTERS			BLOCK
FOR	FOR				DATA
EACH	EACH				FORMATTED
PAGE	LINE	CHARACTER DATA			AS
		END OF PAGE FLAG (-1)			ALPHANUMERIC
REPEAT					PRODUCT
FOR					MESSAGE
EACH					
PAGE					

Figure 3-6. Graphic Product Message (Sheet 5)

HALFWORD	FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
10	Block Divider	INT*2	N/A	-1	N/A	Integer value of -1 used to delineate the header from the Product Description Block
11 - 12	Latitude of Radar	INT*4	Degrees	-90 to +90	0.001	North (+) or South (-) of the Equator
13 - 14	Longitude of Radar	INT*4	Degrees	-180 to +180	0.001	East (+) or West (-) of the Prime Meridian
15	Height of Radar	INT*2	Feet	-100 to +11000	1	Feet above mean sea level
16	Product Code	INT*2	N/A	16 to 299, -16 to - 299	N/A	Internal NEXRAD product code of weather product being transmitted (Refer to Table III)
17	Operational Mode	INT*2	N/A	0 to 2	N/A	0 = Maintenance 1 = Clean Air 2 = Precipitation/Severe Weather
18	Volume Coverage Pattern	INT*2	N/A	1 to 767	1	RDA volume coverage pattern for the scan strategy being used
19	Sequence Number	INT*2	N/A	-13, 0 to 32767	1	Sequence number of the request that generated the product (Refer to Figure 3-4). For products generated by an Alert Condition, sequence number = -13
20	Volume Scan Number	INT*2	N/A	1 to 80	1	Counter, recycles to one (1) every 80 volume scans
21	Volume Scan Date	INT*2	Julian Date	1 to 32767	1	Modified Julian Date; integer number of days since 1 Jan 1970
22 - 23	Volume Scan Start Time	INT*4	Seconds GMT	0 to 86399	1	Number of seconds after midnight, Greenwich Mean Time (GMT)
24	Generation Date of	INT*2	Julian Date	1 to 32767	1	Modified Julian Date as above

HALFWORD	FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
25 - 26	Product Generation Time of Product	INT*4	Seconds GMT	0 to 86399	1	Number of seconds after midnight, Greenwich Mean Time (GMT)
27 - 28	-----PRODUCT DEPENDENT AS PER TABLE V-----					
29	Elevation Number	INT*2	N/A	0 to 20	1	Elevation number within volume scan for elevation based product 0 for volume-based products.
30 - 53	-----PRODUCT DEPENDENT AS PER TABLE V-----					(See Note 3)
54	Version	INT*1	N/A	0 to 255	1	If the message is product data, the upper byte is the version number of the product. The original format of a product will be version 0. (Note 2)
54	Spot Blank	INT*1	N/A	0 to 1	1	If the message is product data, the lower byte is: 1 = Spot Blank ON 0 = Spot Blanking if OFF
55 - 56	Offset to Symbology	INT*4	Halfwords	0 to 400000	1	Number of halfwords from the top of message (message code field in header) to the -1 divider of each block listed. If the offset is zero (0), the block is not part of the product in question
57 - 58	Offset to Graphic	INT*4	Halfwords	0 to 400000	1	Same as above to Graphic Block (NOTE: For Product 62, this will point to the Cell Trend data)
59 - 60	Offset to Tabular	INT*4	Halfwords	0 to 400000	1	Same as above to Tabular Block

Figure 3-6. Graphic Product Message (Sheet 6)

Note 1. The Data Level threshold values used to define the color table of products, described in Table III, consist of up to 16 Data Levels. The exceptions to this are products 32, 81, 93, 94 and 99 that may have up to a maximum of 255 equally spaced data levels. Additionally, product 134 (High Resolution VIL) can provide 255 data levels not necessarily with equal spacing. Also, product 135 (High Resolution Enhanced Echo Tops) can provide up to 199 data levels due to using the most significant bit as a "topped" flag.

For product 32 and 94, data level codes 0 and 1 correspond to "Below Threshold" and "Missing", respectively. Data level codes 2 through 255 denote data values starting from the minimum data value in even data increments. The threshold level fields are used to describe the 256 levels for product 32 and 94 as follows:

halfword 31 contains the minimum data value in dBZ * 10
halfword 32 contains the increment * 10 in dBZ(s).
halfword 33 contains the number of levels (0 - 255)

For product 81, data level codes 0 will correspond to no accumulation and data level code 255 will represent data outside the coverage area. Data level codes 1 through 254 denote data values starting from the minimum data value in even data increments. The threshold level fields are used to describe the 256 levels for product 81 as follows:

halfword 31 contains the minimum data value in dBA*10
halfword 32 contains the increment *1000 in dBA(s).
halfword 33 contains the number of levels (0 - 255)

For product 93 and 99, data levels codes 0 and 1 correspond to "Below Threshold" and "Range Folded", respectively. Data levels 2 through 255 denote data values starting from the minimum data value in even data increments. The threshold levels are used to describe the 256 levels for product 93 and 99 as follows:

halfword 31 contains the minimum data value in m/s*10
halfword 32 contains the increment in m/s*10
halfword 33 contains the number of levels (0 - 255)

For product 134, data level codes 0 and 1 correspond to "Below threshold" and "flagged data", respectively. Data level 255 is reserved for future use. Data levels 2 through 254 relate to VIL in physical units (kg m) via either a linear or log relationship. Any value of VIL above 80 kg m is set to a data value of 254. The coefficients used in the equations to relate the data values to VIL are float values. The IEEE standard for 32-bit floating point arithmetic (ANSI/IEEE Standard 754-1985) has been adopted and modified to utilize the 16-bit (2 byte short) half words available here to describe the coefficients. Half words 31, 32, 34, and 35 are used for this purpose as follows:

halfword 31 contains the linear scale encoded hex value of 0x5BB4 (short int 23476)
halfword 32 contains the linear offset encoded hex value of 0xC82A (short int -14294)
halfword 33 contains the digital log start value of 20
halfword 34 contains the log scale encoded hex value of 0x54DC (short int 21724)
halfword 35 contains the log offset encoded hex value of 0x593E (short int 22846)

The halfword hex values must be decoded to use the equations to convert a digital data value to VIL. For digital values below the value of halfword 33, the linear equation is used:

Digital data value = decoded halfword 31*VIL + decoded halfword 32

For digital data values equal to or greater than the value of halfword 33, the log equation is used:

Digital data value = decoded halfword 34*LN(VIL) + decoded halfword 35

To decode the hex values, a two stage process based on the following methodology is used.

The 32-bit IEEE standard for floating point arithmetic has been modified for a 16 bit short as:

S	E	E	E	E	E	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F
0	1				5	6										15

The top row of the above table describes the designation as S for the one sign bit, E for the 5 exponent bits, and F for the ten fraction bits. The middle row notes the bit number starting with the MSB of 0. The bottom row relates 4 bit sequences to half byte sections.

First, convert the halfword hex value to its binary equivalent. Then, using the S, E, and F bit designations in the above table, build the decimal coefficient values using the guide below:

For E = 0, coefficient value = $(-1)^S * 2 * (0 + (F/2^{10}))$, and
 for $0 < E < 255$; coefficient value = $(-1)^S * 2^{E-16} * (1 + (F/2^{10}))$

For example, a coefficient value of (Hex) 5BB4, (bit sequence 0101 1011 1011 0100) is interpreted as:
 $(-1)^0 * 2^{22-16} * (1 + (948/2^{10}))$ which resolves to a float value of 123.25.

For product 135, data level codes 0 and 1 correspond to “Below threshold” and “bad data”, respectively. Each echo top byte contains two pieces of information: the echo top in kft and an indication of if it were “topped”. The echo top data, thus, are grouped into two sets: 2-71 and 130-199. The second set is the same echo tops set as the first except that the most significant bit is set to 1 to indicate a “topped” value. Each increment represents an increase of 1 kft. Any value of Echo Tops above 70 kft is set to a data value of 1. Half words 31, 32, 33, and 34 are provided to use for extracting the echo top value and “topped” flag:

halfword 31 contains the DATA_MASK 127 or 0x7f (hex) identifying the data bits
 halfword 32 contains the DATA_SCALE 1
 halfword 33 contains the DATA_OFFSET 2
 halfword 34 contains the TOPPED_MASK 128 or 0x80 (hex)

The following relations are used when HREET data are decoded,

Value : Integer HREET altitude, expressing thousands of feet.
 Topped : Boolean describing HREET “topped” condition.
 Data : Packed integer HR-EET value.
 $==$: Equality evaluation.
 $!=$: Inequality evaluation.
 $\&$: Binary ‘AND’ operator.

| : Binary 'OR' operator.
? : Conditional expression:
(A ? B : C) returns B if A is true, returns C if A is false.

Use the following when decoding HREET data elements from NEXRAD product messages,

if (Data == 0)

Value is declared below threshold.
Topped is declared false.

else if (Data == 1)

Value is declared bad.
Topped is declared false.

else

Value = ((Data & DATA_MASK) / DATA_SCALE) - DATA_OFFSET
Topped = (Data & TOPPED_MASK) != 0

Except for Products 32, 81, 93, 94, 99, 134, and 135 the Data Level Threshold halfwords are coded as follows:

If bit 0 (most significant bit) is set to one (1), then the least significant byte (bits 8-- 15) is interpreted as a code for:

0 = "BLANK"
1 = TH
2 = ND
3 = RF

If bits 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 or 7 of the most significant byte are set to 1, then they are interpreted as a code for:

Bit 1 - If set the data field in the least significant byte is scaled by 100, to allow two decimal places of accuracy in some of the Threshold tables.

Bit 2 - If set the data field in the least significant byte is scaled by 20, to allow two decimal places of accuracy in some of the Threshold tables.

Bit 3 - If set the data field in the least significant byte is scaled by 10, to allow for one decimal place of accuracy in some of the threshold tables.

Bit 4 = ">"
Bit 5 = "<"
Bit 6 = "+"
Bit 7 = "-"

If bit 0 (most significant bit) is zero (0), then the low-order byte (bits 8 - 15) is a numeric value.

Example: A data level value of (Hex) 8401, (bit sequence 1000 0100 0000 0001) is interpreted as: < TH

For product 138, data level code 0 corresponds to no accumulation and data level codes 1 through 255 denote accumulation values in units of hundredths-of-inches (.01"), in even data increments, with data level code 1 being the first non-zero accumulation value. The threshold level fields are used to describe the 256 levels for product code 138 as follows:

- Halfword 31 contains the minimum data value (i.e., 0)
- Halfword 32 contains the increment in .01" units
- Halfword 33 contains the number of levels (0 - 255)

Note 2. Products with Version Numbers

PRODUCT NAME	PRODUCT CODE	VERSION
STI	58	1
Hail Index	59	1
Tornado Vortex Signature	61	1
Layer Composite Reflectivity - AP removed	67	1
Surface Rainfall Accumulation (1 hr)	78	2
Surface Rainfall Accumulation (3 hr)	79	1
Storm Total Rainfall Accumulation	80	2
Hourly Digital Precipitation Array	81	3
Supplemental Precipitation Data	82	2
Digital Hybrid Scan Reflectivity	32	2
High Resolution VIL	134	1
Digital Storm Total	138	2

Note 3. For products which are compressed, halfword 51 (P8) denotes the compression method:

- halfword 51 contains 0 if no compression is applied
- halfword 51 contains 1 if the data are compressed using bzip2 (refer to Appendix D for details)

And halfwords 52 (P9) and 53 (P10) denote the size of the uncompressed product, in bytes, excluding the sizes of the Message Header block and Product Description blocks:

- halfword 52 contains size of uncompressed product (MSW), in bytes
- halfword 53 contains size of uncompressed product (LSW), in bytes

If the product size less the product header and product description block is less than 1000 bytes, halfword 51 contains 0.

Figure 3-6. Graphic Product Message (Sheet 7)

PRODUCT SYMOLOGY BLOCK

FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
Block Divider	INT*2	N/A	-1	N/A	Integer value of -1 used to delineate the Product Description from the Product Symbology Block
Block ID	INT*2	N/A	1	N/A	Constant value of 1 which identifies this block
Length of Block	INT*4	Bytes	1 to 400000	1	Length of block in bytes (includes preceding divider and block id)
Number of Layers	INT*2	N/A	1 to 18	1	Number of data layers contained in this block (see Note 2)
Layer Divider	INT*2	N/A	-1	N/A	Integer value of -1 used to delineate one data layer from another
Length of Data Layer	INT*4	N/A	1 to 400000	1	Length of data layer (in bytes) not including layer divider and length field
Display Data Packets	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	See Figures 3-6 through 3-14

Note 2. The various layers are different types of data formats. An example would be the combined moment product. One layer is reflectivity data in radial packets, another layer contains the vector arrow packets that define the velocity and spectrum width data. The length of the layer does not include the divider or the length word.

Figure 3-6. Graphic Product Message (Sheet 8)

GRAPHIC ALPHANUMERIC BLOCK

FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
Block Divider	INT*2	N/A	-1	N/A	Integer value of -1 used to delineate the Graphic Alphanumeric Block
Block ID	INT*2	N/A	2	N/A	Constant value of 2 which identifies this block
Length of Block	INT*4	Bytes	1 to 65535	1	Length of block in bytes (includes preceding divider and block id) from the divider to the end of message
Number of Pages	INT*2	N/A	1 to 48	1	Total number of pages
Page Number	INT*2	N/A	1 to 48	1	Current page number
Length of Page	INT*2	Bytes	4 to 1360	1	Number of bytes in Text Packet 1 through Text Packet N
Text Packet (N)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	The format of these text packets are Packet Code 8, shown in Figure 3-8b, and Packet Code 10, shown in Figure 3-8

Figure 3-6. Graphic Product Message (Sheet 9)

TABULAR ALPHANUMERIC BLOCK (see Note 3)

FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
Block Divider	INT*2	N/A	-1	N/A	Integer value of -1 used to delineate the Tabular Alphanumeric Block
Block ID	INT*2	N/A	3	N/A	Constant value of 3 which identifies this block
Length of Block	INT*4	Bytes	1 to 65535	1	Length of block in bytes from the divider to the end of message
----- SECOND MESSAGE HEADER BLOCK -----					
----- SECOND PRODUCT DESCRIPTION BLOCK -----					
Block Divider	INT*2	N/A	-1	N/A	Integer value of -1 used to delineate the data from the Product Description Block
Number of Pages	INT*2	N/A	1 to 48	1	Total number of pages
Number of Characters	INT*2	N/A	0 to 80	1	Number of characters in a line
Character Data	CHAR	8 Bit ASCII	ASCII Character Set	N/A	Characters are ASCII when the MSB is set to zero. When the MSB is set to one, the remaining 7 bits define the special symbol
End of Page Flag	INT*2	N/A	-1	N/A	Integer value of -1 to delineate the end of page

NOTE 3. Tabular Alphanumeric Block must be the last block in a product message. Maximum lines per page = 17. Alphanumeric Products containing RPG Site Adaptable Parameters must have the Site Adaptable Parameters formatted as the last page(s) of the Product.

Figure 3-6. Graphic Product Message (Sheet 10)

Table V. Product Dependent Halfword Definition for Product Description Block

Product Name	Msg Code	Hword #	Content	Units	Range	Accur/Prec
Base Reflectivity	16-21, 94	30	Elevation Angle	Degree	-1.0 to +45.0	.1
Base Reflectivity	16-21, 94	47	Max Reflectivity	dBZ	-32 to +95, (-33)	1, Note 6
Base Reflectivity	16-21	51	Cal. Constant (MSB)			
Base Reflectivity	16-21	52	" " (LSB)	dB (Real*4)	-50.0 to +50.0	N/A, Note 2
Base Spectrum Width	28-30	30	Elevation Angle	Degree	-1.0 to +45.0	.1, Note 1
Base Spectrum Width	28-30	47	Max Spectrum Width	Knots	0 to 19	1
Base Velocity	22-27, 99	30	Elevation Angle	Degree	-1.0 to +45.0	.1, Note 1
Base Velocity	22-27, 99	47	Max Neg. Velocity	Knots	-247 to 0	1
Base Velocity	22-27, 99	48	Max Pos. Velocity	Knots	0 to 245	1
Clutter Filter Control	34	27	Channel/Segment Bit Map	N/A	0,1 Bit	N/A , Note 8
Clutter Filter Control	34	48	Bypass Map Date	Julian Date	1 to 32767	1
Clutter Filter Control	34	49	Bypass Map Time	Minutes	0 to 1439	1
Clutter Filter Control	34	50	Notch width Map Date	Julian Date	1 to 32767	1
Clutter Filter Control	34	51	Notch width Map Time	Minutes	0 to 1439	1
Clutter Likelihood Reflectivity	132	30	Elevation Angle	Degree	-1.0 to +45.0	1
Clutter Likelihood Doppler	133	30	Elevation Angle	Degree	-1.0 to +45.0	1
Combined Shear Product	87	30	Elevation Angle	Degree	-1.0 to +45.0	.1, Note 1
Combined Shear Product	87	47	Max Shear Value	E-3/Sec.	0 to 32767	1
Combined Shear Product	87	48	Az. of Max Shear	Degree	0.0 to 359.9	.1, Note 1
Combined Shear Product	87	49	Range of Max	Nmi	0.0 to 124.0	.1, Note 1
Combined	87	50	Resolution	Nmi	.27,.54,1.1,2.2	.01, Note 1

Product Name	Msg Code	Hword #	Content	Units	Range	Accur/Prec
Shear Product						
Composite Reflectivity	35 - 38	47	Max Reflectivity	dBZ	-32 to +95, (-33)	1, Note 6
Composite Reflectivity	35 - 38	51	Cal. Constant (MSB)			
Composite Reflectivity	35 - 38	52	Cal Constant (LSB)	dB (Real*4)	-50 to +50	N/A, Note 2
Composite Reflectivity Edited for AP	95 - 98	47	Max Reflectivity	dBZ	-32 to 95, (-33)	1, Note6
Composite Reflectivity Edited for AP	95 - 98	51	Cal Constant (MSB)			
Composite Reflectivity Edited for AP	95 - 98	52	Cal Constant (LSB)	dB (Real*4)	-50 to +50	N/A,Note2
Cross Section (Vel)	51 & 86	47	Azimuth point one	Degree	0.0 to 359.9	.1, Note 1
Cross Section (Vel)	51 & 86	48	Range point one	Nmi	0.0 to 124.0	.1, Note 1
Cross Section (Vel)	51 & 86	49	Azimuth point two	Degree	0,0 to 359.9	.1, Note 1
Cross Section (Vel)	51 & 86	50	Range point two	Nmi	0.0 to 124.9	.1, Note 1
Cross Section (Reflect)	50 & 85	47	Azimuth point one	Degree	0.0 to 359.9	.1, Note 1
Cross Section (Reflect)	50 & 85	48	Range point one	Nmi	0.0 to 124.0	.1, Note 1
Cross Section (Reflect)	50 & 85	49	Azimuth point two	Degree	0.0 TO 359.9	.1, Note 1
Cross Section (Reflect)	50 & 85	50	Range point two	Nmi	0.0 to 124.0	.1, Note 1
Cross Section (Reflect)	50 & 85	51	Cal. Constant (MSB)			
Cross Section (Reflect)	50 & 85	52	" " (LSB)	dB (Real*4)	-50.0 to+50.0	N/A, Note 2
Digital Hybrid Scan Reflect	32	47	Max Reflectivity	dBZ	-32 to +95, (-33)	1, Note 6
Digital Hybrid Scan Reflect	32	48	Date of Scan	Julian Date	1 to 32767	1
Digital Hybrid Scan Reflect	32	49	Avg. Time of Hybrid Scan	Minutes	0 to 1439	1
Digital Mesocyclone Detection	149	27	Adaptation Data setting for Minimum Reflectivity Threshold	dBZ	-25 to 35	1
Digital	149	30	Elevation Angle	Degree	-1.0 to + 45.0	.1

Product Name	Msg Code	Hword #	Content	Units	Range	Accur/Prec
Mesocyclone Detection						
Digital Storm Total Precipitation	138	27	Beg. Date of Rainfall	Julian Date	1 to 32767	1
Digital Storm Total Precipitation	138	28	Beg. Time of Rainfall	Minutes	0 to 1439	1
Digital Storm Total Precipitation	138	30	Mean-field Bias	N/A	0.0 to 99.99	.01, Note 1
Digital Storm Total Precipitation	138	47	Max Rainfall	Inches	0 to 51.00, Note 12	.01 to .20, Note 12
Digital Storm Total Precipitation	138	48	End Date of Rainfall	Julian Date	1 to 32767	1
Digital Storm Total Precipitation	138	49	End Time of Rainfall	Minutes	0 to 1439	1
Digital Storm Total Precipitation	138	50	Sample Size (No. G-R Pairs)	N/A	1 to 32767	1
Echo Tops Product	41	47	Max Echo	1000 Feet	0 to 70	1, Note 5
Free Text Message	75	47	RPG ID Number	N/A	0 to 999	1
Hail Index	59	--	--	--	--	--
High Resolution Enhanced Echo Tops	135	47	Maximum echo top height in volume	kft	0 to 70	1
High Resolution Enhanced Echo Tops	135	48	Number of artifact edited radials in volume	unitless	0 to 10000	1
High Resolution Enhanced Echo Tops	135	49	Echo Tops reflectivity factor threshold	dBZ	-32 to 95	1
High Resolution Enhanced Echo Tops	135	51	Compression Method	N/A	0 or 1	1
High Resolution Enhanced Echo Tops	135	52	Uncompressed Product Data Size (MSW)	Bytes	764 - 126870	1
High Resolution Enhanced Echo Tops	135	53	Uncompressed Product Data Size (LSW)			1
High Resolution	134	47	Max Digital VIL	unitless	0 to 254	1

Product Name	Msg Code	Hword #	Content	Units	Range	Accur/Prec
Vertically Integ. Liq						
High Resolution Vertically Integ. Liq	134	48	Number of artifact edited radials in volume	unitless	0 to 10000	1
High Resolution Vertically Integ. Liq	134	51	Compression Method	N/A	0 or 1	1
High Resolution Vertically Integ. Liq	134	52	Uncompressed Product Data Size (MSW)	Bytes	770 - 167910	1
High Resolution Vertically Integ. Liq	134	53	Uncompressed Product Data Size (LSW)			1
Hourly Dig. Precip Array	81	47	Max Rainfall Accum.	dBA	0.0 to 32.0	.1, Note 1
Hourly Dig. Precip Array	81	48	Mean-field Bias	N/A	0.01 to 99.99	.01, Note 1
Hourly Dig. Precip Array	81	49	Effective No. G-R Pairs (Sample Size)	N/A	0.00 to 9999.99	.01, Note 1
Hourly Dig. Precip Array	81	50	Rainfall End Date	Julian Date	1 to 32767	1
Hourly Dig. Precip Array	81	51	Rainfall End Time	Minutes	0 to 1439	1
Hybrid Scan Reflectivity	33	47	Max Reflectivity	dBZ	-32 to 95, (-33)	1, Note 6
Hybrid Scan Reflectivity	33	48	Date of Scan	Julian Date	1 to 32767	1
Hybrid Scan Reflectivity	33	49	Avg. Time of Scan	Minutes	0 to 1439	1
ITWS Digital Base Velocity	93	30	Elevation Angle	Degree	-1.0 to +45.0	.1, Note 1
ITWS Digital Base Velocity	93	47	Max Neg. Velocity	Knots	-123 to 0	1
ITWS Digital Base Velocity	93	48	Max Pos. Velocity	Knots	0 to 122	1
ITWS Digital Base Velocity	93	50	Velocity Precision Code	N/A	1 or 2	1, Note 11
Lyr 1 Comp.Reflect (avg)	63	47	Max Reflectivity	dBZ	-32 to +95	1
Lyr 1 Comp.Reflect (avg)	63	48	Bottom of layer	1000 Feet	0	Note 5
Lyr 1	63	49	Top of layer	Feet	6000 to	1

Product Name	Msg Code	Hword #	Content	Units	Range	Accur/Prec
Comp.Reflect(a vg)					58000	
Lyr 1 Comp.Reflect(a vg)	63	51	Cal. Constant (MSB)			
Lyr 1 Comp.Reflect(a vg)	63	52	" " (LSB)	dB (Real*4)	-50.0 to +50.0	N/A, Note 2
Lyr 1 Comp.Reflect(m ax)	65	47	Max Reflectivity	dBZ	-32 to +95	1
Lyr 1 Comp.Reflect(m ax)	65	48	Bottom of layer	1000 Feet	0	Note 5
Lyr 1 Comp.Reflect(m ax)	65	49	Top of layer	1000 Feet	6 to 58	1
Lyr 1 Comp.Reflect(m ax)	65	51	Cal. Constant (MSB)			
Lyr 1 Comp.Reflect(m ax)	65	62	" " (LSB)	dB (Real*4)	-50.0 to +50.0	N/A, Note 2
Lyr 2 Comp.Reflect(a vg)	64	47	Max Reflectivity	dBZ	-32 to +95	1
Lyr 2 Comp.Reflect(a vg)	64	48	Bottom of layer	1000 Feet	6 to 58	1
Lyr 2 Comp.Reflect(a vg)	64	49	Top of layer	1000 Feet	12 to 64	1
Lyr 2 Comp.Reflect(a vg)	64	51	Cal. Constant (MSB)			
Lyr 2 Comp.Reflect(a vg)	64	52	" " (LSB)	dB (Real*4)	-50.0 to +50.0	N/A, Note 2
Lyr 2 Comp.Reflect(m ax)	66	47	Max Reflectivity	dBZ	-32 to +95	1
Lyr 2 Comp.Reflect(m ax)	66	48	Bottom of layer	1000 Feet	6 to 58	1
Lyr 2 Comp.Reflect(m ax)	66	49	Top of layer	1000 Feet	12 to 64	1
Lyr 2	66	51	Cal. Constant			

Product Name	Msg Code	Hword #	Content	Units	Range	Accur/Prec
Comp.Reflect(max)			(MSB)			
Lyr 2 Comp.Reflect(max)	66	52	" " (LSB)	dB (Real*4)	-50.0 to +50.0	N/A, Note 2
Lyr 1 Comp Ref-AP (max)	67	47	Max Reflectivity	dBZ	-32 to +95	1
Lyr 1 Comp Ref-AP (max)	67	48	Bottom of layer	1000 Feet	0	Note 5
Lyr 1 Comp Ref-AP (max)	67	49	Top of layer	1000 Feet	6 to 58	1
Lyr 1 Comp Ref-AP (max)	67	51	Cal. Constant (MSB)			
Lyr 1 Comp Ref-AP (max)	67	52	Cal. Constant (LSB)	dB (Real*4)	-50.00 to +50.0	N/A, Note 2
Lyr 3 Comp.Reflect (avg)	89	47	Max Reflectivity	dBZ	-32 to +95	1
Lyr 3 Comp.Reflect (avg)	89	48	Bottom of layer	1000 Feet	12 to 64	1
Lyr 3 Comp.Reflect (avg)	89	49	Top of layer	1000 Feet	18 to 70	1
Lyr 3 Comp.Reflect (avg)	89	51	Cal. Constant (MSB)			
Lyr 3 Comp.Reflect (avg)	89	52	" " (LSB)	dB (Real*4)	-50.0 to +50.0	N/A, Note 2
Lyr 3 Comp.Reflect (max)	90	47	Max Reflectivity	dBZ	-32 to +95	1
Lyr 3 Comp.Reflect (max)	90	48	Bottom of layer	1000 Feet	12 to 64	1
Lyr 3 Comp.Reflect (max)	90	49	Top of layer	1000 Feet	18 to 70	1
Lyr 3 Comp.Reflect (max)	90	51	Cal. Constant (MSB)			
Lyr 3 Comp.Reflect (max)	90	52	Cal. Constant (LSB)	dB (Real*4)	-50.0 to +50.0	N/A, Note 2
Mesocyclone	60	--	--	---		
Mesocyclone Rapid Update	139	30	Elevation Angle	Degree	-1.0 to +45.0	.1

Product Name	Msg Code	Hword #	Content	Units	Range	Accur/Prec
Mesocyclone Detection	141	27	Adaptation Data setting for Minimum Reflectivity Threshold	dBZ	-25 to 35	1
Mesocyclone Detection	141	28	Adaptation Data setting for Overlap Display Filter	N/A	0 or 1	0 = overlap filter OFF 1 = overlap filter ON
Mesocyclone Detection	141	30	Adaptation Data setting for Minimum Display Filter Strength Rank	N/A	1 to 5	1
One-hour Snow Water Equivalent	144	27	Length of Missing Periods	Minutes	0 to 32767	1
One-hour Snow Water Equivalent	144	30	Use RCA Flag	N/A	0 or 1	1
One-hour Snow Water Equivalent	144	47	Maximum Value	Inches	0.001 to 32.767	0.001, Note 1
One-hour Snow Water Equivalent	144	48	Starting Date	Julian Date	1 to 32767	1
One-hour Snow Water Equivalent	144	49	Starting Time	Minutes	0 to 1439	1
One-hour Snow Water Equivalent	144	50	Ending Date	Julian Date	1 to 32767	1
One-hour Snow Water Equivalent	144	51	Ending Time	Minutes	0 to 1439	1
One-hour Snow Water Equivalent	144	52	Azimuth of Max.	Degrees	0 to 359	1
One-hour Snow Water Equivalent	144	53	Range to Max.	Nmi	0 to 124	1
One-hour Snow Depth	145	27	Length of Missing Periods	Minutes	0 to 32767	1
One-hour Snow Depth	145	30	Use RCA Flag	N/A	0 or 1	1
One-hour Snow Depth	145	47	Maximum Value	Inches	0.01 to 327.67	0.01, Note 1
One-hour Snow	145	48	Starting Date	Julian	1 to 32767	1

Product Name	Msg Code	Hword #	Content	Units	Range	Accur/Prec
Depth				Date		
One-hour Snow Depth	145	49	Starting Time	Minutes	0 to 1439	1
One-hour Snow Depth	145	50	Ending Date	Julian Date	1 to 32767	1
One-hour Snow Depth	145	51	Ending Time	Minutes	0 to 1439	1
One-hour Snow Depth	145	52	Azimuth of Max	Degrees	0 to 359	1
One-hour Snow Depth	145	53	Range to Max.	Nmi	0 to 124	1
PUP Text Message	77	47	PUP ID Number	N/A	0 to 32767	1
PUP Text Message	77	49	User Designation	N/A	0 to 47	1, Note 5
Severe Weather Prob.	47	47	Max %	Percent	0 to 99	1
Severe Weather Prob.	47	48	Max SWP Box Size	Nmi	6.5 to 54.0	.1, Note 1
Severe Weather (Reflect)	43	27	Azimuth of Window	Degree	0.0 to 359.9	.1, Note 1
Severe Weather (Reflect)	43	28	Range of Window	Nmi	0.0 to 124.0	.1, Note 1
Severe Weather (Reflect)	43	30	Elevation Angle	Degree	-1.0 to +45.0	.1, Note 1
Severe Weather (Reflect)	43	47	Max Reflectivity	dBZ	-32 to 95, (-999)	1, Note 6
Severe Weather (Reflect)	43	49	Height of Phenomena	1000 Ft AGL	0 to 70	1
Severe Weather (Shear)	46	27	Azimuth of Window	Degree	0.0 to 359.9	.1, Note 1
Severe Weather (Shear)	46	28	Range of Window	Nmi	0.0 to 124.0	.1, Note 1
Severe Weather (Shear)	46	30	Elevation Angle	Degree	-1.0 to +45.0	.1, Note 1
Severe Weather (Shear)	46	47	Max Negative Shear	E-3/Sec	-500 to 0	1
Severe Weather (Shear)	46	48	Max Positive Shear	E-3/Sec	0 to 500	1
Severe Weather (Shear)	46	49	Height of Phenomena	1000 Ft AGL	0 to 70	1
Severe Wea. (Spect. Wd)	45	27	Azimuth of Window	Degree	0.0 to 359.9	.1, Note 1
Severe Wea. (Spect. Wd)	45	28	Range of Window	Nmi	0.0 to 124.0	.1, Note 1
Severe Wea. (Spect. Wd)	45	30	Elevation Angle	Degree	01.0 to +45.0	.1, Note 1
Severe Wea.	45	47	Max Spectrum	Knots	0 to 19, (-	1, Note 6

Product Name	Msg Code	Hword #	Content	Units	Range	Accur/Prec
(Spect. Wd)			Width		1942)	
Severe Wea. (Spect. Wd)	45	49	Height of Phenomena	1000 Ft AGL	0 to 70	1
Severe Wea. (Velocity)	44	27	Azimuth of Window	Degree	0.0 to 359.9	.1, Note 1
Severe Wea. (Velocity)	44	28	Range of Window	Nmi	0.0 to 124.0	.1, Note 1
Severe Wea. (Velocity)	44	30	Elevation Angle	Degree	-1.0 to +45.0	.1, Note 1
Severe Wea. (Velocity)	44	47	Max Neg. Velocity	Knots	-247 to 0	1
Severe Wea. (Velocity)	44	48	Max Pos. Velocity	Knots	0 to +245	1
Severe Wea. (Velocity)	44	49	Height of Phenomena	1000 Ft AGL	0 to 70	1
Storm Mean Radial Vel.	55	27	Azimuth of Window	Degree	0.0 to 359.9	.1, Note 1
Storm Mean Radial Vel.	55	28	Range of Window	Nmi	0.0 to 124.0	.1, Note 1
Storm Mean Radial Vel.	55	30	Elevation Angle	Degree	-1.0 to +45.0	.1, Note 1
Storm Mean Radial Vel.	55	47	Max Neg. Velocity	Knots	-247 to 0	1
Storm Mean Radial Vel.	55	48	Max Pos. Velocity	Knots	0 to +245	1
Storm Mean Radial Vel.	55	49	Motion Source Flag	N/A	-1 = Algorithm	1
Storm Mean Radial Vel.	55	50	Height of Phenomena	1000 Ft AGL	0 to 70	1
Storm Mean Radial Vel.	55	51	Storm Speed	Knots	0.0 to 99.9	.1, Note 1
Storm Mean Radial Vel.	55	52	Storm Direction	Degree	0.0 to 359.9	.1, Note 1
Storm Mean Radial Vel.	55	53	Alert Category	N/A	See Table IV	1, Note 7
Storm Mean Radial Vel.	56	30	Elevation Angle	Degree	-1.0 to +45.0	.1, Note 1
Storm Mean Radial Vel.	56	47	Max Neg. Velocity	Knots	-247 to 0	1
Storm Mean Radial Vel.	56	48	Max Pos. Velocity	Knots	0 to +245	1
Storm Mean Radial Vel.	56	49	Motion Source Flag	N/A	-1 = Algorithm	1
Storm Mean Radial Vel.	56	51	Avg Speed of Storms	Knots	0.0 to 99.9	.1, Note 1
Storm Mean Radial Vel.	56	52	Avg Dir. of Storms	Degree	0.0 to 359.9	.1, Note 1
Storm	62	--	--	--		

Product Name	Msg Code	Hword #	Content	Units	Range	Accur/Prec
Structure						
Storm Total Accum.	80	47	Max Rainfall	Inches	0.0 to 327.6	.1, Note 1
Storm Total Accum.	80	48	Beg. Date Rainfall	Julian Date	1 to 32767	1
Storm Total Accum.	80	49	Beg. Time Rainfall	Minutes	0 to 1439	1
Storm Total Accum.	80	50	End Date Rainfall	Julian date	1 to 32767	1
Storm Total Accum.	80	51	End Time Rainfall	Minutes	0 to 1439	1
Storm Total Accum.	80	52	Mean-field Bias	N/A	0.01 to 99.99	.01, Note 1
Storm Total Accum.	80	53	Effective No. G-R Pairs (Sample Size)	N/A	0.00 to 9999.99	.01, Note 1
Storm Total Snow Depth	147	27	Length of Missing Periods	Minutes	0 to ??	1
Storm Total Snow Depth	147	30	Use RCA Flag	N/A	0 or 1	1
Storm Total Snow Depth	147	47	Maximum Value	Inches	0.0 to 3276.7	0.1, Note 1
Storm Total Snow Depth	147	48	Starting Date	Julian Date	1 to 32767	1
Storm Total Snow Depth	147	49	Starting Time	Minutes	0 to 1439	1
Storm Total Snow Depth	147	50	Ending Date	Julian Date	1 to 32767	1
Storm Total Snow Depth	147	51	Ending Time	Minutes	0 to 1439	1
Storm Total Snow Depth	147	52	Azimuth of Max.	Degrees	0 to 359	1
Storm Total Snow Depth	147	53	Range to Max.	Nmi	0 to 124	1
Storm Total Snow Water Equivalent	146	27	Length of Missing Periods	Minutes	0 to 32767	1
Storm Total Snow Water Equivalent	146	30	Use RCA Flag	N/A	0 or 1	1
Storm Total Snow Water Equivalent	146	47	Maximum Value	Inches	0.00 to 327.67	0.01, Note 1
Storm Total Snow Water Equivalent	146	48	Starting Date	Julian Date	1 to 32767	1
Storm Total Snow Water	146	49	Starting Time	Minutes	0 to 1439	1

Product Name	Msg Code	Hword #	Content	Units	Range	Accur/Prec
Equivalent						
Storm Total Snow Water Equivalent	146	50	Ending Date	Julian Date	1 to 32767	1
Storm Total Snow Water Equivalent	146	51	Ending Time	Minutes	0 to 1439	1
Storm Total Snow Water Equivalent	146	52	Azimuth of Max.	Degrees	0 to 359	1
Storm Total Snow Water Equivalent	146	53	Range to Max.	Nmi	0 to 124	1
Storm Track	58	47	Total Number of Storms	N/A	0 to 100	1
SuperOb	136	27	Base Time	Minutes	0 to 1439	1
SuperOb	136	28	Time Radius	Minutes	5 to 90	1
SuperOb	136	47	SuperOb Cell Range Size	Km	1 to 10	1
SuperOb	136	48	SuperOb Cell Azimuth Size	Degrees	2 to 12	1
SuperOb	136	49	Maximum Range	Km	60 to 230	1
SuperOb	136	50	Minimum Number of Samples	N/A	20 to 200	1
SuperOb	136	51	Compression Method	N/A	0 or 1	1
SuperOb	136	52	Uncompressed Product Data Size (MSW)	Bytes	120 - 1409856	1
SuperOb	136	53	Uncompressed Product Data Size (LSW)			1
Surface Rainfall Accum	78 & 79	47	Max Rainfall	Inches	0.0 to 189.0	.1, Note 1
Surface Rainfall Accum	78 & 79	48	Mean-field Bias	N/A	0.01 to 99.99	.01, Note 1
Surface Rainfall Accum	78 & 79	49	Effective No. G-R Pairs (Sample Size)	N/A	0.00 to 9999.99	.01, Note 1
Surface Rainfall Accum	78 & 79	50	Rainfall End Date	Julian Date	1 to 32767	1
Surface Rainfall Accum	78 & 79	51	Rainfall End Time	Minutes	0 to 1439	1
TVS	61	47	Total Number of TVS	N/A	-25 to 25	1, Note 5
TVS	61	48	Total Number	N/A	-25 to 25	1, Note 5

Product Name	Msg Code	Hword #	Content	Units	Range	Accur/Prec
			of ETVS			
Tornado Vortex Signature Rapid Update	143	30	Elevation angle	degree	-1.0 to +45.0	.1
Tornado Vortex Signature Rapid Update	143	47	Total Number of TVS	N/A	-25 to 25	1, Note 5
Tornado Vortex Signature Rapid Update	143	48	Total Number of ETVS	N/A	-25 to 25	1, Note 5
User Alert Message	73	--	--	--		
User Selectable Layer Composite Reflectivity	137	27	Requested Bottom Altitude of Layer	K Feet	0 to 69	1
User Selectable Composite Reflectivity	137	28	Requested Top Altitude of Layer	K Feet	1 to 70	1
User Selectable Layer Composite Reflectivity	137	47	Max Reflectivity	dBZ	-32 to 95	1
User Selectable Composite Reflectivity	137	48	Actual bottom Altitude of Layer (adjusted to correct request errors).	K Feet	0 to 69	1
User Selectable Layer Composite Reflectivity Maximum	137	49	Actual top Altitude of Layer (adjusted to correct request errors).	K Feet	1 to 70	1
User Selectable Precip.	31	27	End Hour	Hours	0 to 23	1
User Selectable Precip.	31	28	Time Span	Hours	1 to 24	1
User Selectable Precip.	31	30	Null Product Flag	N/A	0 to 1	1, Note 9
User Selectable Precip.	31	47	Max Rainfall	Inches	0.0 to 327.6	.1, Note 1

Product Name	Msg Code	Hword #	Content	Units	Range	Accur/Prec
User Selectable Precip.	31	48	Beg. Date Rainfall	Julian Date	1 to 32767	1
User Selectable Precip.	31	49	Beg. Time Rainfall	Minutes	0 to 1439	1
User Selectable Precip.	31	50	End Date Rainfall	Julian Date	1 to 32767	1
User Selectable Precip.	31	51	End Time Rainfall	Minutes	0 to 1439	1
User Selectable Precip.	31	52	Average Mean-field Bias	N/A	0.01 to 99.99	.01, Note 1
User Selectable Precip.	31	53	Average Effective No. G-R Pairs (Sample Size)	N/A	0.00 to 9999.99	.01, Note 1
User Selectable Snow Depth	151	27	End Hour	Hours	0 to 23	1
User Selectable Snow Depth	151	28	Time Span	Hours	1 to 30	1
User Selectable Snow Depth	151	30	Use RCA Flag	N/A	0 or 1	1
User Selectable Snow Depth	151	47	Maximum Value	Inches	0.00 to 327.67 or 0.0 to 3276.7	0.01 or 0.1, Note 1
User Selectable Snow Depth	151	48	Starting Date	Julian Date	1 to 32767	1
User Selectable Snow Depth	151	49	Starting Hour	Minutes	0 to 1439	1
User Selectable Snow Depth	151	50	Ending Date	Julian Date	1 to 32767	1
User Selectable Snow Depth	151	51	Ending Hour	Minutes	0 to 1439	1
User Selectable Snow Depth	151	52	Azimuth of Max.	Degrees	0 to 359	1
User Selectable Snow Depth	151	53	Range to Max.	Nmi	0 to 124	1
User Selectable Snow Water Equivalent	150	27	End Hour	Hours	0 to 23	1
User Selectable Snow Water Equivalent	150	28	Time Span	Hours	1 to 30	1
User Selectable Snow Water Equivalent	150	30	Use RCA Flag	N/A	0 or 1	1
User Selectable Snow Water Equivalent	150	47	Maximum Value	Inches	0.000 to 32.767 or 0.00 to	0.001 or 0.01, Note 1

Product Name	Msg Code	Hword #	Content	Units	Range	Accur/Prec
					327.67	
User Selectable Snow Water Equivalent	150	48	Starting Date	Julian Date	1 to 32767	1
User Selectable Snow Water Equivalent	150	49	Starting Hour	Minutes	0 to 1439	1
User Selectable Snow Water Equivalent	150	50	Ending Date	Julian Date	1 to 32767	1
User Selectable Snow Water Equivalent	150	51	Ending Hour	Minutes	0 to 1439	1
User Selectable Snow Water Equivalent	150	52	Azimuth of Max.	Degrees	0 to 359	1
User Selectable Snow Water Equivalent	150	53	Range to Max.	Nmi	0 to 124	1
VAD Wind Profile	48	47	Max Speed (Horiz)	Knots	0 to 350	1, Note 5
VAD Wind Profile	48	48	Direct of Max Speed	Degree	0 to 359	1, Note 1 & 5
VAD Wind Profile	48	49	Alt of Max Speed	Feet/10	00.00 to 70.00	.01, Note 5
Velocity Az. Display	84	47	Wind Speed (Horiz)	Knots	0 to 350	1, Note 5
Velocity Az. Display	84	48	Wind Direct(Horiz)	Degree	0 to 359	1, Note 1 & 5
Velocity Az. Display	84	30	Wind Alt (Horiz)	1000 Feet	0 to 70	1
Velocity Az. Display	84	49	Elevation Angle	Degree	-1.0 to +45.0	.1, Note 1 & 5
Velocity Az. Display	84	50	Slant Range	Nmi	0.0 to 124.0	.1, Note 1 & 5
Velocity Az. Display	84	51	RMS Error	Knots	0 to 29	1, Note 5
Vertically Integ. Liq	57	47	Max VIL	Kg/Sq. meter	0 to 200	1

Note 1. Scaled Integer, precision column defines scaling.

Note 2. Real*4 represents one fullword (32 bits) of real data, where the MSB is the sign bit, followed by a 7 bit exponent and a 24 bit mantissa.

Note 3. Corresponds to MSB of bit map as defined in Table II- A.

Note 4. Corresponds to LSB of bit map as defined in Table II- A.

			Description
Note 5. Echo Tops Product PUP Text Message	Msg Code 41 77	Halfword 47 49	Value of zero altitude indicates "No Echos Detected User designation is set by the RPCOP only, where: 0 = Send message to all dedicated users; >0 = Send message to the user on specific line identified.
Layer Products	63-67, 89-90	48	Value of zero layer bottom indicates "Surface"
VAD Wind Profile	48	49	Altitude value of -9999 indicates ("Wind Barbs") non-valid altitude, speed and direction which are displayed as blanks
Velocity Azimuth	84	47	Wind speed value of -9999 Display indicates non-valid speed and direction. Speed and direction are displayed as blanks
		50	Slant range value of -9999 indicates non-valid slant range and elevation angle. Values of slant range and elevation angle are displayed as blanks
		51	RMS value of -9999 indicates non-valid RMS. Value of RMS is displayed as blanks.
TVS	61	47	A negative value indicates that the Total Number of TVSs identified by the algorithm exceeded the Maximum number of TVSs in adaptation data. Those with the higher Low-level Delta Velocity were retained.
TVS	61	48	A negative value indicates that the Total Number of ETVSs identified by the algorithm exceeded the Maximum number of ETVSs in adaptation data. Those with the higher Low-level Delta Velocity were retained.
Storm Mean Radial Velocity	55-56	47	A maximum negative velocity of -999 indicates a non-valid maximum negative velocity. Values are displayed as asterisks.
		48	A maximum positive velocity of -777 indicates a non-valid maximum positive velocity. Values are displayed as asterisks.

Note 6. Value enclosed in parentheses of range column is a code to indicate data is unavailable.

Note 7. Applicable only to products generated as a result of an Alert.

Note 8. Defines the clutter map channel type and segment number. Bit 15 (LSB) defines the channel type. If bit 15 is 0, then it is a clutter filter control product for the surveillance channel. If bit 15 is 1, then it is the Doppler channel clutter filter control product. Bits 14 through 10 specify elevation segment numbers 1 through 5, respectively. Segment 1 is the lowest elevation clutter filter map, segment 2 is the upper elevation clutter filter map. Segments 3 through 5 are for future expansion.

Note 9. If flag is set, the product is null i.e., rainfall data to build product was unavailable.

Note 11. Velocity Precision Code indicates the quantization of the base velocity data used to create this product. A value of 1 denotes 0.5 m/s and 2 denotes 1.0 m/s. Regardless of the value of this code, product 93 is formatted as if the precision is always 0.5 m/s.

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Note 12: The value entered for the upper limit of the Digital Storm Total (DSP) Max Rainfall value is a theoretical limit; the actual upper limit has no bound, as the DSP data values are adjusted (scaled) to fit within the range (0 - 255), based upon the Max Rainfall value. The Accuracy/Precision increases according to the scaling (i.e., .01, .02, etc.) and also has no, actual upper limit.

Table VI. Product Dependent Definition for Product Symbology Block

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY / PRECISION	REMARKS
VAD WIND PROFILE	Altitude	Kft	1 to 70	1	
	Volume Scan Start Time	N/A	Hours: 00 to 23 Minutes: 00 to 59	1	
VELOCITY AZIMUTH DISPLAY	Velocity	Kts	+/-200, +/-100, +/-80, +/-60, +/-40	1	
	Azimuth	Degrees	1 to 360	1	
	Best Fit Function in the form A ₁ + V ₁ SIN(AZ + δ) Where: A = Harmonic Coefficient (Fourier #1) V = SQRT[CF ₂ ² +CF ₃ ² } with CF ₂ and CF ₃ corresponding to Harmonic Coefficient (Fourier #2 & #3) & = - Horizontal Wind Direction - 90°	Kts Kts Degrees	-39 to 39 0 to +247 0 to 359	1 1 1	
REFLECTIVITY CROSS SECTION	Azimuth	Degrees	0 to 359	1	
	Range	nmi	0 to 124	1	
	Max Reflectivity	dBZ	-32 to 95(-999)*	1	0 *Value Indicates Data Not Available
	Height of Max Reflectivity	Kft	0 to 70 (71)*	1	0 *Value Indicates Data Not Available
	Max Reflectivity				

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY / PRECISION	REMARKS
	Position: • Azimuth • Range	Degrees nmi	0 to 359 0 to 124	1 1	
VELOCITY CROSS SECTION	Azimuth	Degrees	0 to 359	1	
	Range	nmi	0 to 124	1	
	Max Velocity	Kts	0 to 245	1	
	Height of Max Velocity	Kft	0 to 70 (71)*	1	(*) * Value Indicates data not available
	Max Velocity Position: • Azimuth • Range	Degrees nmi	0 to 359 0 to 124	1 1	
	Min Velocity	Kts	-247 to 0	1	
	Height of Min Velocity	Kft	0 to 70 (71)*		0 *Value Indicates Data Not Available
	Min Velocity Position: • Azimuth • Range	Degrees nmi	0 to 359 0 to 124	1 1	
USER SELECTABLE PRECIPITATION	Status	Alphanumeric	- Product Not Generated: Unable To Read Data from Database - Product Not Generated: Illegal Times in Product Request - Product Not Generated: Insufficient Accumulation Date In Hourly Database - Hours Available for	N/A	Status messages will be sent only if error conditions occur

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY / PRECISION	REMARKS
			Request		
ONE-HOUR SNOW WATER EQUIVALENT AND ONE-HOUR SNOW DEPTH	Status	Alphanumeric	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Data not available because: No buffer space for product - Data not available because: Product too big for existing buffer - Data not available because: Insufficient data for hourly accumulations 	N/A	Status messages will be sent only if error conditions occur
STORM TOTAL SNOW WATER EQUIVALENT AND STORM TOTAL SNOW DEPTH	Status	Alphanumeric	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Data not available because: First volume of accumulations - Data not available because: No buffer space for product - Data not available because: Product too big for existing buffer - Data not available because: First volume scan of accumulations 	N/A	Status messages will be sent only if error conditions occur
USER SELECTABLE SNOW WATER	Status	Alphanumeric	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Data not available because: No 	N/A	Status messages will be

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY / PRECISION	REMARKS
EQUIVALENT AND USER SELECTABLE SNOW DEPTH			buffer space for product - Data not available because: Product too big for existing buffer - Data not available because: Insufficient number of hourly accumulations - Data not available because: Current hour is not the requested end hour		sent only if error conditions occur

Table VII. Product Dependent Definition for Graphic Alphanumeric Block

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/ PRECISION	REMARKS
COMPOSITE REFLECTIVITY OR COMPOSITE REFLECTIVITY EDITED FOR AP	Storm Cell ID	Alphanumeric	A0 through Z0, then A1 through Z1, then A2...Z9.	N/A	The sequence is recycled following Note 1
	Storm Position: • Azimuth • Range	Degrees nmi	0 to 360 0 to 248	1 1	Note 1
	Maximum Reflectivity	dBZ	0 to 95	1	Note 1
	Height of Maximum Reflectivity	Kft	0.0 to 70.0	0.1	Note 1
	Cell-Based VIL	kg/m ²	0 to 120	1	Note 1
	Storm Top	Kft	0.00 to 70.00	0.1	If the storm top was identified at the highest elevation, the value is qualified with ">", Note 1
	Forecast Movement • Storm Direction • Storm Speed	Alphanumeric or Degrees Kts	New or 0 to 360 0 to 999	1 1	Newly identified storm cells are labeled "NEW". Note 1
	Mesocyclone Characteristics	Alphanumeric	NONE, MESO, 3DCO, or UNCO	N/A	Note 1
	TVS Feature Type	Alphanumeric	NONE, TVS or ETVS	N/A	If both a TVS and ETVS are associated with the same storm cell, then "TVS" will be displayed. Note 1
	Hail Characteristics • Probability of Hail (POH)	Alphanumeric or Percent Percent	UNKNOWN or 0 to 100	10 10	If the maximum expected hail size exceeds 4.0 inches, the

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/ PRECISION	REMARKS
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Probability of Severe Hail (POSH) • Maximum Expected Hail Size 	Inches	0 to 100 0.00 and 0.50 to 4.00	0.25	<p>hail size is labeled ">4.00".</p> <p>If the Probability of Hail and the Probability of Severe Hail are greater than 0% and the maximum expected hail size is less than 0.50 inches, the hail size is labeled "<0.50".</p> <p>If the Hail Characteristics cannot be determined, the Hail Characteristics are labeled "UNKNOWN". Note 1</p>
ECHO TOPS	Status	Alphanumeric	No Echoes Detected	N/A	This status message will be sent only if the Echo Tops Grid is all zeroes.
HAIL INDEX	Storm Cell ID	Alphanumeric	A0 through Z0, then A1 through Z1, then A2...Z9	N/A	The sequence is recycled following Z9, (See Note 1)
	Storm Position <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Azimuth • Range 	Degrees Nmi	0 to 360 0 to 248	1 1	Note 1
	Hail Characteristics: -Probability of Hail (POH)	Alphanumeric or Percent	UNKNOWN or 0 to 100	10	If maximum expected hail size exceeds 4.0 inches, the hail size is labeled

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					">4.00".
	-Probability of Severe Hail (POSH)	Percent	0 to 100	10	If the Probability of Severe hail is greater than 0% and the maximum expected hail size is less than 0.50 inches, the hail size is labeled "<0.50".
	-Maximum Expected Hail Size	Inches	0.00 and 0.50 to 4.00	0.25	If the Hail Characteristics cannot be determined, the Hail Characteristics are labeled "UNKNOWN" Note 1
	Hail Temperature Altitudes (MSL) • 0 Degree Celsius	Kft	0.0 to 70.0	.1	Note 1
	• -20 Degree Celsius	Kft	0.0 to 70.0	.1	
	Time of last change to Hail Temperature Altitude	N/A	Hours: 00 to 23 Minutes: 00 to 59	N/A	Note 1
	Date of last change to Hail Temperature Altitudes	N/A	Months: 01 to 12 Days: 01 to 31 Years: 00 to 99	N/A	Note 1
STORM TRACKING INFORMATION	Storm Cell ID	Alphanumeric	A0 through Z0, then A1 through Z1, then A2....Z9	N/A	The sequence is recycled following Z9. Note 1
	Storm Position • Azimuth • Range	Degrees nmi	0 to 360 0 to 248	1 1	Note 1

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/ PRECISION	REMARKS
	Forecast Movement • Direction • Speed	Alphanumeric or Degrees Kts	NEW or 0 to 360 0.0 to 999	1 0.1	Newly identified storm cells are labeled "NEW" Note 1
	Forecast Error • Error • Mean	nmi nmi	0.0 to 99.9 0.0 to 99.9	0.1 0.1	Note 1
	Maximum Reflectivity	dBZ	0 to 95	1	Note 1
	Height of Maximum Reflectivity	Kft	0.0 to 70.0	0.1	Note 1
MESOCYCLONE	Storm Cell ID	Alphanumeric	A0 through Z0, then A1 through Z1, then A2 through Z9	N/A	The sequence is recycled following Z9 Note 1
	Vortex Type	Alphanumeric	3D Correlated Shear (3 DC SHR), Mesocyclone (MESO)	N/A	
	Mesocyclone Position: • Azimuth • Range	Degrees nmi	0 to 360 0 to 124	1 1	
	Mesocyclone Base Value	Kft	0.0 to 33.1	0.1	
	Mesocyclone Top Value	Kft	0.0 to 33.1	0.1	
	Diameter (Radial)	nmi	0.0 to 99.9	0.1	
	Diameter (Azimuthal)	nmi	0.0 to 99.9	0.1	
MESOCYCLONE RAPID UPDATE	Storm Cell ID	Alphanumeric	A0 through Z0, then A1 through Z1, then A2 through Z9	N/A	The sequence is recycled following Z9 Note 1
	Feature Status	Alphanumeric	New (NEW), Extrapolated (EXT), Persistent (PER),	N/A	NEW: Feature new this volume scan; EXT: Feature from previous

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/ PRECISION	REMARKS
			Increasing (INC)		scan with extrapolated position; PER: found in both previous and current volume; INC: Like PER but with increasing shear and/or Vortex Type.
	Vortex Type	Alphanumeric	3D Correlated Shear (3 DC SHR), Mesocyclone (MESO)	N/A	"^" displayed when Vortex Type from current volume
	Mesocyclone Position: · Azimuth · Range	Degrees nmi	0 to 360 0 to 124	1 1	"^" displayed when position from current volume
	Mesocyclone Base Value	Kft	0.0 to 33.1	0.1	"^" displayed when Base or Top from current volume
	Mesocyclone Top Value	Kft	0.0 to 33.1	0.1	"^" displayed when Base or Top from current volume
	Diameter (Radial)	nmi	0.0 to 99.9	0.1	"^" displayed when Diameter from current volume
	Diameter (Azimuthal)	nmi	0.0 to 99.9	0.1	"^" displayed when Diameter from current volume
MESOCYCLONE DETECTION	Circulation ID	N/A	0 through 999	N/A	The sequence is recycled following 999
	Strength Rank	N/A	1 to 25	1	If the strength rank was computed by

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/ PRECISION	REMARKS
					the Low-Top or Shallow method, an L or S will also be displayed.
	Low Level (base) Rotational Velocity	Kts	0 to 129	1	
	Position: • Azimuth • Range	Degrees nmi	0 to 360 0 to 124	1	Base 2D feature component
	Height of Maximum Rotational Velocity (ARL)	Kft	0 to 33	1	
	Maximum Rotational Velocity	Kts	0 to 129	1	
	Base Height (ARL)	Kft	0 to 33	1	If the Base is on the lowest elevation scan or below 1km, then the height is preceded by a "<" in the display.
	Depth	Kft	0 to 33	1	If the Base is on the lowest elevation scan or below 1km, then the Depth is preceded by a ">" in the display.
TORNADO VORTEX SIGNATURE (TVS)	Feature Type	Alphanumeric	TVS or ETVS	N/A	
	Storm Cell ID	Alphanumeric	A0 through Z0, then A1 through Z1. then A2...Z9. "???" is displayed if	N/A	The sequence is recycled following Z9

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/ PRECISION	REMARKS
			the TVS feature is not associated with a storm cell.		
	TVS Feature Position: • Azimuth • Range	Degrees nmi	0 to 359 0 to 124	1 1	
	Average Delta Velocity	kts	0 to 494	1	
	Low-level Delta Velocity	kts	0 to 494	1	
	Maximum Delta Velocity	kts	0 to 494	1	
	Base	kft	0.0 to 70.0	0.01	If the Base is on the lowest elevation scan, then it is preceded by a "<" in the display.
	Depth	kft	0 to 70	1	If the base or top is on the lowest or highest elevation scan, then the Depth is preceded by a "<" or ">" in the display, respectively
TORNADO VORTEX SIGNATURE RAPID UPDATE	Feature Type	Alphanumeric	TVS or ETVS	N/A	See Note 1
	Storm Cell ID	Alphanumeric	A0 through Z0, then A1 through Z1, then A2,..., Z9, or ?? is displayed if the TVS feature is not associated with a storm	N/A	The sequence is recycled following Z9 Note 1

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/ PRECISION	REMARKS
			cell.		
	Feature Status	Alphanumeric	New (NEW), Extrapolated (EXT), Persistent (PER), Increasing (INC)	N/A	NEW: Feature is new in this volume scan; EXT: Feature from previous volume scan with extrapolated position; PER: Feature found in both previous and current volume scan; INC: Like PER but with increasing in either LLDV, feature type, or depth.
	Feature Position: • Azimuth • Range	Degree nmi	0 to 360 0 to 124	1 1	See Note 1
	Average Delta Velocity	kts	0 to 494	1	See Note 1
	Low Level (base) Delta Velocity	kts	0 to 494	1	See Note 1
	Maximum Delta Velocity	kts	0 to 494	1	See Note 1
	Base Height	kft	0.0 to 70.0	0.01	If the Base is on the lowest elevation scan, then it is preceded by a "<" in the display. See Note 1
	Depth	kft	0 to 70	1	If the base or top is on the lowest or highest elevation scan, then the Depth

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/ PRECISION	REMARKS
					is preceded by a "<" or ">" in the display, respectively. See Note 1
USER SELECTABLE PRECIPITATION	Gage Bias Flag	N/A	Applied/Not Applied	N/A	
	Number of Hours in Product	N/A	1 to 24	0/1	
	End Times	Hours	00 to 23	0/1	
	Bias Estimate	N/A	0.00 to 99.9	0.01	
	Hour Included Flag	N/A	Yes or No	N/A	

Note 1: “^” displayed when the attribute(s) is (are) updated to the current detection.

Table VIII. Product Dependent Definition for Tabular Alphanumeric Block

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/ PRECISION	REMARKS
COMBINED SHEAR	Site Adaptable Parameters	See Remarks	See Remarks	See Remarks	TBD
VAD WIND PROFILE	Site Adaptable Parameters	See Remarks	See Remarks	See Remarks	TBD
	ALT	100ft	0 to 700	1	
	U	m/s	-127.0 to 126.0	0.1	
	V	m/s	-127.0 to 126.0	0.1	
	W	cm/s	-999.9 to 9999.9	0.1	
	DIR	degrees	0 to 360	1	
	SPD	knots	0 to 999	1	
	RMS	knots	0 to 30.0	0.1	
	DIV	10/s	-99.9999 to 999.9999	0.0001	
	SRNG	nm	0.0 to 124.00	0.01	
	ELEV	degrees	-1.0 to 45.0	0.1	
STORM TRACKING INFORMATION	Radar ID	N/A	0 to 999	1	
	Volume Scan Start Date	N/A	Months: 1 to 12 Days: 1 to 31 Years: 0 to 99	N/A	
	Volume Scan Start Time	N/A	Hours: 0 to 23 Minutes: 0 to 59 Seconds: 0 to 59	N/A	
	Number of Storm Cells	N/A	0 to 100	1	
	Average Storm Cell Motion • Speed	kts	0 to 99	1	Only on first page of Alphanumeric Product
	• Direction	degrees	0 to 360	1	
	Storm Cell ID	Alphanumeric	A0 through Z0, then A1 through Z1, then A2....Z9	N/A	The sequence is recycled following Z9 Note 1
	Current Position:				

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/ PRECISION	REMARKS
	• Azimuth	Degrees	0 to 360	1	Note 1
	• Range	nmi	0 to 24	1	
	Forecast Movement	Alphanumeric or Degrees	0 to 359	1	Note 1
	• Direction				
	• Speed	Kts	0 to 999	1	
	Forecast Error	nmi	0.0 to 99.0	0.1	Note 1
	Mean Forecast Error	nmi	0.0 to 99.0	0.1	Note 1
	The Azimuth and Range Position for each forecast interval up to four forecast intervals	Alphanumeric or Degree Nmi	NO DATA or 0 to 360 0 to 248	1	Note 1
	Site Store Cell Tracking/Forecast Position Adaptable Parameters	See Remarks	See Remarks	See Remarks	TBD
MESOCYCLONE	Radar ID	N/A	0 to 999	1	
	Volume Scan Start Date	N/A	Months: 1 to 12 Days: 1 to 31 Years: 0 to 99	N/A	
	Volume Scan Start Time	N/A	Hours: 0 to 23 Minutes: 0 to 59 Seconds: 0 to 59	N/A	
	Number of Storm Cells	N/A	0 to 100	1	
	Feature ID	Alphanumeric	0 through 20	1	
	Storm Cell ID	Alphanumeric	A0 through Z0, then A1 through Z1, then A2....Z9	N/A	The sequence is recycled followed Z9
	Feature Type	Alphanumeric	Uncorrelated Shear (UNC SHR), 3D Correlated Shear (3DC SHR), Mesocyclone (MESO)	N/A	
	Mesocyclone				

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/ PRECISION	REMARKS
	Position: • Azimuth	Degrees	0 to 360	1	
	• Range	nmi	0 to 124	1	
	Mesocyclone Height	Kft	0.0 to 33.1	0.1	
	Mesocyclone Base Value	Kft	0.0 to 33.1	0.1	
	Mesocyclone Top Value	Kft	0.0 to 33.1	0.1	
	Diameter (Radial)	nmi	0 to 124	0.1	
	Diameter (Azimuthal)	nmi	0 to 780	0.1	
	Maximum Shear (tangential)	E-3/sec	0 to 999	1	
	Site Adaptable Parameters	See Remarks	See Remarks	See Remarks	TBD
TORNADO VORTEX SIGNATURE (TVS)	Radar ID	N/A	0 to 999	1	
	Volume Scan Start Date	N/A	Months: 1 to 12 Days: 1 to 31 Years: 0 to 99	N/A	
	Volume Scan Start Time	N/A	Hours: 0 to 23 Minutes: 0 to 59 Seconds: 0 to 59	N/A	
	Number of TVSs	N/A	0 to 25	1	If the TDA identified more than the (adaptable) maximum number of TVSs, then the number will be preceded by a ">"
	Number of ETVSs	N/A	0 to 25	1	If the TDA identified more than the (adaptable) maximum number of ETVSs, then

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/ PRECISION	REMARKS
					the number will be preceded by a ">"
	Feature Type	Alphanumeric	TVS or ETVS	N/A	
	Feature ID	N/A	01 through 25	0/1	TVSs and ETVSs are numbered independently
	Storm Cell ID	Alphanumeric	A0 through Z0, then A1 through Z1, then A2....Z9, or ??	N/A	The sequence is recycled following Z9. "???" is displayed if the TVS or ETVS is not associated with a storm cell
	Position:				
	• Azimuth	Degrees	0 to 359	1	
	• Range	Nmi	0 to 124	1	
	Average Delta Velocity	kts	0 to 494	1	
	Low-level Delta Velocity	kts	0 to 494	1	
	Maximum Delta Velocity	kts	0 to 494	1	
	Height of the Maximum Delta Velocity	kft	0.0 to 70.0	0.1	
	Depth	kft	0.0 to 70.0	0.1	If the base or top is on the lowest or highest elevation scan, respectively then the Depth is preceded by a ">" in the display
	Base	kft	0 to 70	1	If the base is on the lowest elevation scan, then it is preceded by a "<" in the

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/ PRECISION	REMARKS
					display
	Top	kft	0.0 to 70.0	.1	
	Maximum Shear	m/s/km (or E-3/sec)	0 to 999	1	
	Height of the Maximum Shear	kft	0.0 to 70.0	0.1	
	Site Adaptable Parameters	See Remarks	See Remarks	See Remarks	TBD
HAIL INDEX	Radar ID	N/A	0 to 999	1	
	Volume Scan Start Date	N/A	Months: 1 to 12 Days: 1 to 31 Years: 0 to 99	N/A	
	Volume Scan Start Time	N/A	Hours: 0 to 23 Minutes: 0 to 59 Seconds: 0 to 59	N/A	
	Number of Storm Cells	N/A	0 to 100	1	
	Storm Cell ID	Alphanumeric	A0 through Z0, then A1 through Z1, then A2...Z9	N/A	The sequence is recycled following Z9 Note 1
	Hail Characteristics • Probability of Hail (POH) • Probability of Severe Hail (POSH) • Maximum Expected Hail Size	Alphanumeric Percent Inches	UNKNOWN or 0 to 100 0 to 100 0.00 and 0.50 to 4.00	N/A	If the maximum expected hail size exceeds 4.00 inches, the hail size is labeled ">4.00". If the Probability of Hail and the Probability of Severe Hail are greater than 0% and the maximum expected hail size is less than 0.50 inches, the hail is labeled

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/ PRECISION	REMARKS
					"<50.0". If the Hail Characteristics cannot be determined, the Hail Characteristics are labeled "UNKNOWN". Note 1
	Site Adaptable Parameters	See Remarks	See Remarks	See Remarks	TBD
SURFACE RAINFALL ACCUMULATION - ONE HOUR	Mean-field Bias Estimate	N/A	0.01 to 99.99	0.01	
	Effective No. G-R Pairs (Sample Size)	N/A	0.00 to 9999.99	0.01	
	Memory Span used in Bias Estimate	Hours	0.001 to 10**7	0.001	
	Site Adaptable Parameters	See Remarks	See Remarks	See Remarks	TBD Information is only provided if the product is not labeled 'BAD SCAN'.
SURFACE RAINFALL ACCUMULATION - THREE HOUR	The following information is provided for up to three hourly intervals is:				
	Interval Ending Date	N/A	Months: 1 to 12 Days: 1 to 31 Years: 00 to 99	N/A	
	Interval Ending Time	N/A	Hours: 0 to 23 Minutes: 0 to 59	N/A	
	Adjusted	N/A	Y/N	N/A	
	Mean-field Bias Estimates	N/A	0.01 to 99.99	0.01	Note 2
	Effective No. G-R	N/A	0.00 to	0.01	Note 2

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/ PRECISION	REMARKS
	Pairs (Sample Sizes)		9999.99		
	Memory Spans used in Bias Estimates	Hours	0.001 to 10**7	0.001	Note 2
	Scan Type	N/A	1 = Ends at Clock Hour 2 = Ends at Gage Time 3 = Both	N/A	Note 2
STORM TOTAL ACCUMULATION	Mean of Bias Estimates Computed During Accumulation Period	N/A	0.01 to 99.99	0.01	
	Mean of G-R Pair Sample Sizes used in Bias Estimates During Accumulation Period	N/A	0.00 to 9999.99	0.01	
	Mean of Memory Spans used in Bias Estimates During Accumulation Period	Hours	0.001 to 10**7	0.001	
	Site Adaptable Parameters	See Remarks	See Remarks	See Remarks	TBD Information is only provided if the product is not labeled 'BAD SCAN'.
CLUTTER LIKELIHOOD REFLECTIVITY	Site Adaptable Parameters	See Remarks	See Remarks	See Remarks	TBD
CLUTTER LIKELIHOOD DOPPLER	Site Adaptable Parameters	See Remarks	See Remarks	See Remarks	TBD
MESOCYCLONE RAPID UPDATE	Radar ID	N/A	0 to 999	1	
	Volume Scan Start Date	N/A	Months: 1 to 12 Days: 1 to 31 Years: 0 to 99	N/A	
	Volume Scan Start Time	N/A	Hours: 0 to 23	N/A	

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/ PRECISION	REMARKS
			Minutes: 0 to 59 Seconds: 0 to 59		
	Elevation	Degrees	0.0 to 20.0	0.1	
	Feature Status	Alphanumeric	New (NEW), Extrapolated (EXT), Persistent (PER), Increasing (INC)	N/A	NEW: Feature new this volume scan; EXT: Feature from previous scan with extrapolated position; PER: found in both previous and current volume; INC: Like PER but with increasing shear and/or Vortex Type.
	Storm Cell ID	Alphanumeric	A0 through Z0, then A1 through Z1, then A2....Z9	N/A	The sequence is recycled followed Z9
	Feature Type	Alphanumeric	Uncorrelated Shear (UNC SHR), 3D Correlated Shear (3DC SHR), Mesocyclone (MESO)	N/A	" displayed when Feature Type from current volume
	Mesocyclone Position: Azimuth Range	Degrees nmi	0 to 360 0 to 124	1 1	"^" displayed when Position from current volume
	Mesocyclone Height	Kft	0.0 to 33.1	0.1	"^" displayed when Height from current volume
	Mesocyclone Base Value	Kft	0.0 to 33.1	0.1	"^" displayed when Base or Top from current volume
	Mesocyclone Top	Kft	0.0 to 33.1	0.1	"^" displayed

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	Value				when Base or Top from current volume
	Diameter (Radial)	nmi	0 to 124	0.1	"^" displayed when Diameter from current volume
	Diameter (Azimuthal)	nmi	0 to 780	0.1	"^" displayed when Diameter from current volume
	Maximum Shear (tangential)	E-3/sec	0 to 999	1	
MESOCYCLONE DETECTION	Radar ID	N/A	0 to 999	1	
	Volume Scan Start Date	N/A	Months: 1 to 12 Days: 1 to 31 Years: 0 to 99	N/A	
	Volume Scan Start Time	N/A	Hours: 0 to 23 Minutes: 0 to 59 Seconds: 0 to 59	N/A	
	Average Motion: • Direction • Speed	Degrees Kts	0 to 360 0 to 129	1 1	Average of all MDA detected circulations regardless of whether they meet minimum display thresholds.
	Circulation ID	N/A	0 through 999	N/A	The sequence is recycled following 999
	Position: • Azimuth • Range	Degrees nmi	0 to 360 0 to 124	1 1	Base 2D feature component
	Strength Rank	N/A	1 to 25	1	If the strength rank was

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					computed by the Low-Top or Shallow method, an L or S will also be displayed.
	Low Level (base) Rotational Velocity	Kts	0 to 129	1	
	Low Level (base) Gate-to-Gate Velocity Difference	Kts	0 to 129	1	
	Base Height (ARL)	Kft	0 to 33	1	If the Base is on the lowest elevation scan or below 1km, then the height is preceded by a "<" in the display.
	Depth	Kft	0 to 33	1	If the Base is on the lowest elevation scan or below 1km, then the Depth is preceded by a ">" in the display.
	Storm Relative Depth Percentage	Percent	0 to 100	1	Based on the average depth of the ten SCIT identified storm cells having the highest cell based VIL.
	Maximum Rotational Velocity	Kts	0 to 129	1	
	Height of Maximum Rotational Velocity (ARL)	Kft	0 to 33	1	
	TVS	N/A	Y or N	N/A	Y if a TVS is detected

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/ PRECISION	REMARKS
					within 2 km of Position
	Motion	deg/kts	0 to 360 deg 0 to 99 kts	1 deg 1 kt	Motion of this MDA detection or blanks if detection not tracked.
	Mesocyclone Strength Index	N/A	0 to 99999	1	See MDA AEL.
TORNADO VORTEX SIGNATURE RAPID UPDATE (TRU)	Radar ID	N/A	0 to 999	1	
	Volume Scan Start Date	N/A	Months: 1 to 12 Days: 1 to 31 Years: 0 to 99	N/A	
	Volume Scan Start Time	N/A	Hours: 0 to 23 Minutes: 0 to 59 Seconds: 0 to 59	N/A	
	Number of TVSs	N/A	0 to 25	1	If the TRU identifies more than the (adaptable) maximum number of TVSs, then the number will be preceded by a ">"
	Number of ETVSs	N/A	0 to 25	1	If the TRU identifies more than the (adaptable) maximum number of ETVSs, then the number will be preceded by a ">"
	Elevation	degree	-1.0 to 45.0	0.1	

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/PRECISION	REMARKS
	Feature Status	Alphanumeric	New (NEW), Extrapolated (EXT), Persistent (PER), Increasing (INC)	N/A	NEW: Feature is new in this volume scan; EXT: Feature from previous volume scan with extrapolated position; PER: Feature found in both previous and current volume scan; INC: Like PER but with increasing in either LLDV, feature type, or depth.
	Feature Type	Alphanumeric	TVS or ETVS	N/A	See Note 3
	Storm Cell ID	Alphanumeric	A0 through Z0, then A1 through Z1, then A2....Z9, or ??	N/A	The sequence is recycled following Z9. "???" is displayed if the TVS or ETVS is not associated with a storm cell
	Position: Azimuth Range	Degrees Nmi	0 to 359 0 to 124	1 1	See Note 3
	Average Delta Velocity	kts	0 to 494	1	See Note 3
	Low-level (base)Delta Velocity	kts	0 to 494	1	See Note 3
	Maximum Delta Velocity	kts	0 to 494	1	See Note 3
	Height of the Maximum Delta Velocity	kft	0.0 to 70.0	0.1	See Note 3
	Depth	kft	0.0 to 70.0	0.1	If the base or top is on the

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/ PRECISION	REMARKS
					lowest or highest elevation scan, respectively then the Depth is preceded by a ">" in the display. See Note 3
	Base Height	kft	0 to 70	1	If the base is on the lowest elevation scan, then it is preceded by a "<" in the display. See Note 3
	Top Height	kft	0.0 to 70.0	.1	See Note 3
	Maximum Shear	m/s/km (or E-3/sec)	0 to 999	1	See Note 3
	Height of the Maximum Shear	kft	0.0 to 70.0	0.1	See Note 3
One-hour Snow Water Equivalent and One-hour Snow Depth	RPG Name	N/A	N/A	N/A	
	Date	Month/Day /Year	Months: 1 to 12 Days: 1 to 31 Years: 00 to 99	N/A	
	Time	Hours and Minutes UTC	Hours: 1 to 12 Minutes 0 to 59	N/A	
	Starting Date	Month/Day /Year	Months: 1 to 12 Days: 1 to 31 Years: 00 to 99	N/A	
	Starting Time	Hours and Minutes UTC	Hours: 1 to 12 Minutes 0 to 59	N/A	
	Ending Date	Month/Day /Year	Months: 1 to 12	N/A	

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/ PRECISION	REMARKS
			Days: 1 to 31 Years: 00 to 99		
	Ending Time	Hours and Minutes UTC	Hours: 1 to 12 Minutes 0 to 59	N/A	
	Maximum Snow Accumulation	Inches	0 to 10**7	0.001 for Snow Water Equivalent and 0.01 for Snow Depth	
	Azimuth of Maximum Value	Degrees	0 to 359	1	
	Range to Maximum Value	Nmi	0 to 124	1	
	Range/height Correction Applied	N/A	"Static" or "Used RCA"		
	Missing Time	Minutes	0 to 60	1	
	Site Adaptable Parameters and Configuration Parameters	N/A	N/A	N/A	Page 2
Storm Total Snow Water Equivalent and Storm Total Snow Depth	RPG Name	N/A	N/A	N/A	
	Date	Month/Day/ Year	Months: 1 to 12 Days: 1 to 31 Years: 00 to 99	N/A	
	Time	Hours and Minutes UTC	Hours: 1 to 12 Minutes 0 to 59	N/A	
	Starting Date	Month/Day/ Year	Months: 1 to 12 Days: 1 to 31 Years: 00 to 99	N/A	
	Starting Time	Hours and Minutes UTC	Hours: 1 to 12 Minutes 0 to 59	N/A	
	Ending Date	Month/Day/ Year	Months: 1 to 12	N/A	

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/PRECISION	REMARKS
			Days: 1 to 31 Years: 00 to 99		
	Ending Time	Hours and Minutes UTC	Hours: 1 to 12 Minutes 0 to 59	N/A	
	Maximum Snow Accumulation	Inches	0 to 10**7	0.01 for Snow Water Equivalent and 0.1 for Snow Depth	
	Azimuth of Maximum Value	Degrees	0 to 359	1	
	Range to Maximum Value	Nmi	0 to 124	1	
	Range/height Correction Applied	N/A	"Static" or "Used RCA"		
	Missing Time	Minutes	0 to 32767	1	
	Site Adaptable Parameters and Configuration Parameters	N/A	N/A	N/A	Page 2
User Selectable Snow Water Equivalent and User Selectable Snow Depth	RPG Name	N/A	N/A	N/A	
	Date	Month/Day/Year	Months: 1 to 12 Days: 1 to 31 Years: 00 to 99	N/A	
	Time	Hours and Minutes UTC	Hours: 1 to 12 Minutes 0 to 59	N/A	
	Starting Date	Month/Day/Year	Months: 1 to 12 Days: 1 to 31 Years: 00 to 99	N/A	
	Starting Time	Hours and Minutes UTC	Hours: 1 to 12 Minutes 0 to 59	N/A	
	Ending Date	Month/Day/	Months: 1 to	N/A	

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/ PRECISION	REMARKS
		Year	12 Days: 1 to 31 Years: 00 to 99		
	Ending Time	Hours and Minutes UTC	Hours: 1 to 12 Minutes 0 to 59	N/A	
	Maximum Snow Accumulation	Inches	0 to 10**7	0.01 for Snow Water Equivalent and 0.1 for Snow Depth	
	Azimuth of Maximum Value	Degrees	0 to 359	1	
	Range to Maximum Value	Nmi	0 to 124	1	
	Range/height Correction Applied	N/A	“Static” or “Used RCA”		
	Site Adaptable Parameters and Configuration Parameters	N/A	N/A	N/A	Page 2

NOTE 1: Tabular Alphanumeric Block will display an adaptable number of storm cells

NOTE 2. This will be repeated each hour in the product.

NOTE 3: “^” displayed when the attribute(s) is (are) updated to the current detection

	MSB	HALFWORD	LSB			
DATA BLOCK	No Value					
	PACKET CODE (=7)					
	LENGTH OF DATA BLOCK (BYTES)					
	BEGINNING I VECTOR 1			1/4 KM		
	BEGINNING J VECTOR 1			OR		
	END I	VECTOR 1		SCREEN COORDINATES		
	END J	VECTOR 1				
	BEGINNING I VECTOR 2					
	BEGINNING J VECTOR 2					
	END I	VECTOR 2				
	END J	VECTOR 2				
	•	•				

Figure 3-8. Unlinked Vector Packet (Sheet 1)

	MSB	Uniform Value	LSB
DATA BLOCK		PACKET CODE (=10)	
		LENGTH OF DATA BLOCK (BYTES)	
		VALUE (LEVEL) OF VECTORS	
		BEGINNING I VECTOR 1	1/4 KM
		BEGINNING J VECTOR 1	OR
		END I VECTOR 1	SCREEN COORDINATES
		END J VECTOR 1	
		BEGINNING I VECTOR 2	
		BEGINNING J VECTOR 2	
		END I VECTOR 2	
		END J VECTOR 2	
		• •	

Figure 3-8. Unlinked Vector Packet (Sheet 2)

No Value

FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	7	N/A	Packet Type 7
Length of Block	INT*2	Bytes	1 to 32767	1	Number of bytes in block not including self or packet code
Begin I Vector 1	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	I coordinate for vector starting point 1
Begin J Vector 1	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	J coordinate for vector starting point 1
End I Vector 1	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	I coordinate for vector end point 1
End J Vector 1	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	J coordinate for vector end point 1
Begin I Vector 2	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	I coordinate for vector starting point 2
Begin J Vector 2	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	J coordinate for vector starting point 2
End I Vector 2	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	I coordinate for vector end point 2
End J Vector 2	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	J coordinate for vector end point 2

Figure 3-8. Unlinked Vector Packet (Sheet 3)

Uniform Value

FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	10	N/A	Packet Type 10
Length of Block	INT*2	Bytes	1 to 32767	1	Number of bytes in block not including self or packet code
Value (Level) of Vector	INT*2	N/A	0 to 15	1	Color Level of Vector
Begin I Vector 1	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	I coordinate for vector starting point 1
Begin J Vector 1	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	J coordinate for vector starting point 1
End 1 Vector 1	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	I coordinate for vector end point 1
End J Vector 1	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	J coordinate for vector end point 1
Begin I Vector 2	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	I coordinate for vector starting point 2
Begin J Vector 2	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	J coordinate for vector starting point 2
End I Vector 2	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	I coordinate for vector end point 2
End J Vector 2	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	J coordinate for vector end point 2

Figure 3-8. Unlinked Vector Packet (Sheet 4)

HALFWORD				HALFWORD				Packet Codes /OP Flags Initial Point Indicator	Packet Codes
MSB	Linked Vectors	LSB	MSB	Set Color Levels	LSB	Color Value Indicator			
0	E	0	3	0	8	0	2		
8	0	0	0	0	0	0	2		
I				VALUE (LEVEL) OF CONTOUR					
J									
LENGTH =# VECTORS x 4									
I1									
J1									
I2									
J2									
HALFWORD									
MSB	Linked Vectors	LSB							
3	5	0	1	Packet Codes /OP Flags					
LENGTH =# VECTORS x 8									
I									
J									
I1									
J1									
I									
J									
I2									
J2									

Figure 3-8a Contour Vector Packet (Sheet 1)

Set Color Levels:

FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ACCURACY	REMARKS
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	0802 (Hex)	N/A	Packet Type X'0802'
Color Value Indicator	INT*2	N/A	0002 (Hex)	N/A	Indicates that color value is present in this packet
Value (Level) of Contour	INT*2	N/A	0 to 15	1	Color Level of Contour

Linked Contour Vectors:

FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ACCURACY	REMARKS
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	0E03 (Hex)	N/A	Packet Type X'0E03'
Initial Point Indicator	INT*2	N/A	8000 (Hex)	N/A	Indicates that initial point is present in this packet
I Starting point	INT*2	Km/4	-2048 to +2047	1	I coordinate for vector starting point
J Starting Point	INT*2	Km/4	-2048 to +2047	1	J coordinate for vector starting point
Length of vectors	INT*2	Bytes	4 to 32764	Multiples of 4	Length to follow in bytes (where length = # of vectors X4)
End I Vector Number 1	INT*2	Km/4	-2048 to +2047	1	I coordinate for vector end point 1
End J Vector Number 1	INT*2	Km/4	-2048 to +2047	1	J coordinate for vector end point 1
End I Vector Number 2	INT*2	Km/4	-2048 to +2047	1	I coordinate for vector end point 2
End J Vector Number 2	INT*2	Km/4	-2048 to +2047	1	J coordinate for vector end point 2
...					
...					

Figure 3-8a Contour Vector Packet (Sheet 2)

Unlinked Contour Vectors:

FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	3501 (Hex)	N/A	Packet Type X'3501'
Length of Vectors	INT*2	Bytes	8 to 32760	Multiples of 8	Length to follow in bytes (where length = # of vectors X 8)
Begin I Vector 1	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	I coordinate for vector starting point 1
Begin J Vector 1	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	J coordinate for vector starting point 1
End I Vector 1	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	I coordinate for vector end point 1
End J Vector 1	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	J coordinate for vector end point 1
Begin I Vector 2	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	I coordinate for vector starting point 2
Begin J Vector 2	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	J coordinate for vector starting point 2
End I Vector 2	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	I coordinate for vector end point 2
End J Vector 2	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	J coordinate for vector end point 2

Figure 3-8a Contour Vector Packet (Sheet 3)

HALFWORD		
MSB	Write Text (No Value)	LSB
<u>PACKET CODE (=1)</u>		
<u>LENGTH OF DATA BLOCK (BYTES)</u>		
DATA BLOCK	I STARTING POINT	1/4 KM Screen Coordinates
	J STARTING POINT	
	CHARACTER 1 CHARACTER 2	
	CHARACTER 3 CHARACTER 4	
	• •	
	• •	
	CHARACTER N-1 CHARACTER N	

Figure 3-8b. Text and Special Symbol Packets (Sheet 1)

	HALFWORD	MSB Write Text (Uniform Value)	LSB	
		PACKET CODE (=8)		
		LENGTH OF DATA BLOCK (BYTES)		
		DATA	1/4 KM	Screen Coordinates
BLOCK		I START		
		J START		
		CHARACTER 1	CHARACTER 2	
		CHARACTER 3	CHARACTER 4	
		•	•	
		•	•	
		CHARACTER N-1	CHARACTER N	

Figure 3-8b. Text and Special Symbol Packets (Sheet 2)

HALFWORD		MSB	Write Special Symbols (No Value)	LSB
<u>PACKET CODE (=2)</u>				
<u>LENGTH OF DATA BLOCK (BYTES)</u>				
DATA	I	STARTING POINT	1/4 KM	
BLOCK	J	STARTING POINT	Screen Coordinates	
		CHARACTER 1	CHARACTER 2	
		CHARACTER 3	CHARACTER 4	
		•	•	
		•	•	
		CHARACTER N-1	CHARACTER N	

Figure 3-8b. Text and Special Symbol Packets (Sheet 3)

Write Text (No Value)

FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	1	N/A	Packet Type 1
Length of Block	INT*2	Bytes	1 to 32767	1	Number of bytes in block not including self or packet code
I Starting Point	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2408 to +2047	1	I coordinate for text starting point
J Starting Point	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	J coordinate for text starting point
Character 1 to N	Char	8 bit ASCII	ASCII Character Set	N/A	Characters are ASCII

Write Text (Uniform Value)

FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	8	N/A	Packet Type 8
Length of Block	INT*2	Bytes	1 to 32767	1	Number of bytes in block not including self or packet code
Value (Level) of Text	INT*2	N/A	0 to 15	1	Color Level of text
I Starting Point	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	I coordinate for text starting point
J Starting Point	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	J coordinate for text starting point
Character 1 to N	Char	8 bit ASCII	ASCII Character Set	N/A	Characters are ASCII

Figure 3-8b. Text and Special Symbol Packets (Sheet 4)

Write Special Symbols (No Value)

FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ACCURACY	REMARKS
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	2	N/A	Packet Type 2
Length of Block	INT*2	Bytes	1 to 32767	1	Number of bytes in block not including self or packet code
I Starting Point	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	I coordinate for special symbol starting point (Note 1)
J Starting Point	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	J coordinate for special symbol starting point (Note 1)
Character 1 to N	Char	8 bit ASCII	ASCII Character Set	N/A	Characters are ASCII

Note 1.I, J for special symbols are at the center of the symbol and at the upper left corner of the symbol for text.

Note 2: The special symbol characters in use are: !(21), "(22), #(23), \$(24), %(25) to report past storm cell position, current storm cell position, forecast storm cell position, past MDA position, and forecast MDA position, respectively. Where, the number in parenthesis is the 8-bit hexadecimal value for the ASCII character. The appearance of the special symbols (e.g., filled circles, plus marks, X within a circle) is described in the Product Specification ICD (2620003), sections 18.3.2 and 20.3.2.

Figure 3-8b. Text and Special Symbol Packets (Sheet 5)

HALFWORD			
MSB	Linked Vectors		LSB
0	E	2	3
8	0	0	0
I			
J			
LENGTH = # VECTORS X 4			
I1			
J1			
I2			
J2			

HALFWORD			
MSB	Text		LSB
4	E	0	0
0	C	2	3
8	0	0	0
X			
Y			
LENGTH OF C's			
C1		C2	
C3		C4	

MSB	Unlinked Vectors		LSB
3	5	2	1
LENGTH # X 8			
I			
J			
I1			
J1			
I			
J			
I2			
J2			

MSB	Special Symbols		LSB
4	E	0	1
0	C	2	3
8	0	0	0
X			
Y			
LENGTH OF C's			
C1		C2	
C3		C4	

Figure 3-9. Map Message Packet (Sheet 1)

HALF WORD	FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
61	Block Divider	INT*2	N/A	-1	N/A	Integer -1, Block Divider
62	Map ID	INT*2	N/A	132 to 198	1	Message code for appropriate map from Table II
63	Data Format	INT*2	N/A	1	N/A	Integer 1 for RAMTEK format
64	Number of Data Pieces	INT*2	N/A	1, 17	1	Integer number of map segments; 1 = low resolution, 17 = high and low resolution
65-66	Total Byte Count	INT*4	Bytes	1 to 409600	1	Number of bytes in data pieces
67	Map Piece 1 Location	INT*2	N/A	1 to 32767	1	Map file sector number on RPG disk; offset from the beginning of map file to first piece of data on the disk
68-69	Byte Length of Map Piece 1	INT*4	Bytes	1 to 81920	1	The length of piece 1 in bytes
70-117	Note 1	Note 1	Note 1	Note 1	Note 1	Comparable to halfwords 67-69 for map piece 2 to 17; only when the high resolution map is included
118-127	Alignment Filler	INT*2	N/A	0	N/A	Zero filled to halfword 128 from first byte of the message
129	Map Data Piece 1	Note 1	Note 1	Note 1	Note 1	Low resolution - contain packets shown in Sheet 2 of this figure
	Map Data Piece 2	Note 1	Note 1	Note 1	Note 1	High resolution if included, contains packet shown in Sheet 2 of this figure
	•					
	•					
	•					
	Map Data Piece 17					

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Note 1. Data pieces will be in the formats shown for: Linked Vectors (No Value), Unlinked Vectors (No Value), Write Text (No Value), and Write Special Symbols (No Value). The first 8 bytes will be replaced by the code shown in sheet 2 of this figure. The upper left corner of area of coverage is 0,0 and the resolution is 1/8 Km.

Figure 3-9. Map Message Packet (Sheet 2)

	MSB	HALFWORD		LSB	PACKET CODE	
	A	F	1	F		
	INDEX OF FIRST RANGE BIN					
	NUMBER OF RANGE BINS					
	I CENTER OF SWEEP					
	J CENTER OF SWEEP					
	SCALE FACTOR (230 / # OF RANGE BINS)					
	NUMBER OF RADIALS					
REPEAT FOR EACH RADIAL	NUMBER OF RLE HALFWORDS IN RADIAL					
	RADIAL START ANGLE					
	RADIAL ANGLE DELTA					
	RUN (0)	COLOR CODE (0)	RUN (1)	COLOR CODE (1)		
	RUN (2)	COLOR CODE (2)	RUN (3)	COLOR CODE (3)		
	...					
	...					
	RUN (N)	COLOR CODE (N)	0000	0000		

Figure 3-10. Radial Data Packet (16 Data Levels) (Sheet 1)

Sectors or "Windows" Products will use this format with sufficient data to fill the requested area.

FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ACCURACY	REMARKS
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	AF1F (Hex)	N/A	Packet Type X7AF1F7
Index of First Range Bin	INT*2	N/A	0 to 460	1	Location of first range bin
Number of Range Bins	INT*2	N/A	1 to 460	1	Number of range bins comprising a radial
I Center of Sweep	INT*2	Km/4	-2048 to +2047	1	I coordinate of center of sweep
J Center of Sweep	INT*2	Km/4	-2048 to +2047	1	J coordinate of center of sweep
Scale Factor	Scaled Integer	Pixels	.001 to 8.000	.001	Number of pixels per range bin
Number of Radials	INT*2	N/A	1 to 400	1	Total number of radials in products
Number of RLE Halfwords in Radial	INT*2	Halfword	1 to 230	1	Number of RLE (Run Length Encoded) 16-bit halfwords per radial
Radial Start Angle	Scaled Integer	Degrees	0.0 to 359.9	.1	Starting angle at which radial data was collected; Scan is always in Clockwise direction
Radial Angle Delta	Scaled Integer	Degrees	0.0 to 2.0	.1	Radial angle data
Run(0)	4 Bit INT	N/A	0 to 15	1	4-bit run code
Color Code(0)	4 Bit INT	N/A	0 to 15	1	4-bit color level

Figure 3-10. Radial Data Packet (16 Data Levels) (Sheet 2)

MSB	HALFWORD		LSB	
B	A	0	F or 7	PACKET CODE / OP FLAGS
8	0	0	0	
0	0	C	0	
I COORDINATE START				
J COORDINATE START				
X SCALE INT				
X SCALE FRACTIONAL				
Y SCALE INT				
Y SCALE FRACTIONAL				
NUMBER OF ROWS				
PACKING DESCRIPTOR				
REPEAT FOR EACH ROW	NUMBER OF BYTES IN THIS ROW			
	RUN (0)	COLOR CODE (0)	RUN (1)	COLOR CODE (1)
	RUN (2)	COLOR CODE (2)	RUN (3)	COLOR CODE (3)
	•	•	•	
	•	•	•	
	RUN (N)	COLOR CODE (N)	0000	0000

Figure 3-11. Raster Data Packet (Sheet 1)

FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	BA0F (Hex) or BA07 (Hex)	N/A	Packet Type X 'BA0F' or X'BA07'
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	8000 (Hex)	N/A	Packet Type X'8000'
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	00C0 (Hex)	N/A	Packet Type X'00C0'
I Coordinate Start	INT*2	Km/4	-2048 to +2047	1	Starting location of data
J Coordinate Start	INT*2	Km/4	-2048 to +2047	1	Starting location of data
X Scale INT	INT*2	N/A	1 to 67	1	Scaling factor for grid
X Scale Fractional	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Reserved for internal PUP use
Y Scale INT	INT*2	N/A	1 to 67	1	Scaling factor for grid
Y Scale Fractional	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Reserved for internal PUP use
Number of Rows	INT*2	N/A	1 to 464	1	Number of rows in layer
Packing Descriptor	INT*2	N/A	2	N/A	Defines packing format 2
Number of Bytes in this Row	INT*2	Bytes	2 to 920	1	Number of bytes in this row not including self
Run(0)	4 Bit INT	N/A	0 to 15	1	4-bit run code
Color Code(0)	4 Bit INT	N/A	0 to 15	1	4-bit color level

Figure 3-11. Raster Data Packet (Sheet 2)

	MSB	HALFWORD	LSB
	PACKET CODE (=17)		
	SPARE		
	SPARE		
	NUMBER OF LFM BOXES IN ROW		
	NUMBER OF ROWS		
REPEAT FOR EACH ROW	NUMBER OF BYTES IN ROW		
	RUN (0)	LEVEL (01)	
	RUN (1)	LEVEL (1)	
	•	•	
	•	•	
	•	•	
	RUN (N)	LEVEL (N)	

Figure 3-11a. Digital Precipitation Data Array Packet (Sheet 1)

FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	17	N/A	Packet Type 17
Spares	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Number of LFM Boxes in Row	INT*2	N/A	131	1	Number of boxes in each row
Number of Rows	INT*2	N/A	131	1	Total number of rows
Number of Bytes in Row	INT*2	N/A	2 to 262	1	Number of bytes in this row
Run(0)	1 Byte	N/A	0 to 255	1	8-bit run code
Level(0)	1 Byte	N/A	0 to 255	1	8-bit data level code. See Note 1 of Figure 3-6 (Sheet 10 of 13)

Figure 3-11a. Digital Precipitation Data Array Packet (Sheet 2)

	MSB	HALFWORD	LSB
	PACKET CODE (=18)		
	SPARE		
	SPARE		
	NUMBER OF LFM BOXES IN ROW		
	NUMBER OF ROWS		
REPEAT FOR EACH ROW	NUMBER OF BYTES IN ROW		
	RUN (0)	LEVEL (0)	RUN (1)
	RUN (2)	LEVEL (2)	RUN (3)
	•	•	•
	•	•	•
	RUN (N)	LEVEL (N)	0000
			0000

Figure 3-11b. Precipitation Rate Data Array Packet (Sheet 1)

FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	18	N/A	Packet Type 18
Spares	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Number of LFM Boxes in Row	INT*2	N/A	13	1	Number of boxes in each row
Number of Rows	INT*2	N/A	13	1	Total number of rows
Number of Bytes in Row	INT*2	N/A	2 to 14	1	Number of bytes in this row
Run(0)	4-Bit INT	N/A	0 to 15	1	4-bit run code
Level(0)	4-Bit INT	N/A	0 to 15	1	4-bit data level code

Figure 3-11b. Precipitation Rate Data Array Packet (Sheet 2)

	MSB HALFWORD	LSB
REPEAT	PACKET CODE (=16)	
FOR	INDEX OF FIRST RANGE BIN	
EACH	NUMBER OF RANGE BINS	
RADIAL	I CENTER OF SWEEP	
	J CENTER OF SWEEP	
	RANGE SCALE FACTOR	
	NUMBER OF RADIALS	
REPEAT FOR EACH RADIAL	NUMBER OF BYTES IN RADIAL	
	RADIAL START ANGLE	
	RADIAL DELTA ANGLE	
	LEVEL (0)	LEVEL (1)
	LEVEL (2)	LEVEL (3)
	•	•
	•	•
	LEVEL (N-1)	LEVEL (N)

Figure 3-11c. Digital Radial Data Array Packet (Sheet 1)

FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	16	N/A	Packet Type 16
Index of First Range Bin	INT*2	N/A	0 to 230	1	Location of first range bin
Number of Range Bins	INT*2	N/A	0 to 460	1	Number of range bins comprising a radial
I Center of Sweep	INT*2	Km/4	-2048 to +2047	1	I coordinate of center of sweep
J Center of Sweep	INT*2	Km/4	-2048 to +2047	1	J coordinate of center of sweep
Range Scale Factor	Scaled Integer	N/A	.001 to 1.000	.001	Cosine of elevation angle for elevation based products. For volume based products the value 1.00.
Number of Radials	INT*2	N/A	1 to 400	1	Total number of radials in product (Note 1)
Number of Bytes in Radial	INT*2	N/A	1 to 920	1	Number of bytes of 8-bit data level values per radial
Radial Start Angle	Scaled Integer	Degrees	0.0 to 359.9	.1	Starting angle at which radial data was collected; Scan is always clockwise
Radial Delta Angle	Scaled Integer	Degrees	0.0 to 2.0	1	Delta angle from previous radial
Level (0)	1 Byte	N/A	0 to 255	1	8-bit data level code. (See Note 1 of Figure 3-6 Sheet 11 of 14)

Note 1: The RPG clips radials to 70 kft. This could result in an odd number of bins in radial. However, the radial will always be on a halfword boundary, so the number of bytes in a radial may be number of bins in a radial + 1.

Figure 3-11c. Digital Radial Data Array Packet (Sheet 2)

		MSB	HALFWORD	LSB
DATA BLOCK	REPEAT FOR EACH ARROW	PACKET CODE (=5)		
		LENGTH OF DATA BLOCK (BYTES)		
		I COORDINATE		
		J COORDINATE		
		DIRECTION OF ARROW		
		ARROW LENGTH		
		ARROW HEAD LENGTH		
		• • •		

FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ACCURACY	REMARKS
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	5	N/A	Packet Type 5
Length of Block	INT*2	Bytes	1 to 32767	1	Number of bytes in block not including self or packet code
I Coordinate Point	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	Coordinate where the arrow and/or value is to be centered
J Coordinate Point	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	Coordinate where the arrow and/or value is to be centered
Direction of Arrow	INT*2	Degrees	0 to 359	1	Arrow direction in 1-degree steps: points with wind field
Arrow Length	INT*2	Pixels	1 to 512	1	Number of pixels in arrow
Arrow Head Length	INT*2	Pixels	1 to 512	1	Number of pixels in arrow head

Figure 3-12. Vector Arrow Data Packet

	MSB	HALFWORD	LSB
DATA BLOCK	REPEAT FOR EACH BARB	PACKET CODE (=4)	
		LENGTH OF DATA BLOCK (BYTES)	
		VALUE	
		X COORDINATE	
		Y COORDINATE	
		DIRECTION OF WIND	
		WIND SPEED	
	•	•	•

FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	4	N/A	Packet Type 4
Length of Block	INT*2	Bytes	1 to 32767	1	Number of bytes in block not including self or packet code
Value	INT*2	N/A	1 to 5	1	Color level of wind barb (reflects the RMS value associated with the computed velocity)
X Coordinate	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	Coordinate where the value starts
Y Coordinate	INT*2	Km/4 or Pixels	-2048 to +2047	1	Coordinate where the value starts
Direction of Wind	INT*2	Degrees	0 to 359	1	Points into wind
Wind Speed	INT*2	Knots	0 to 195	1	Magnitude of wind

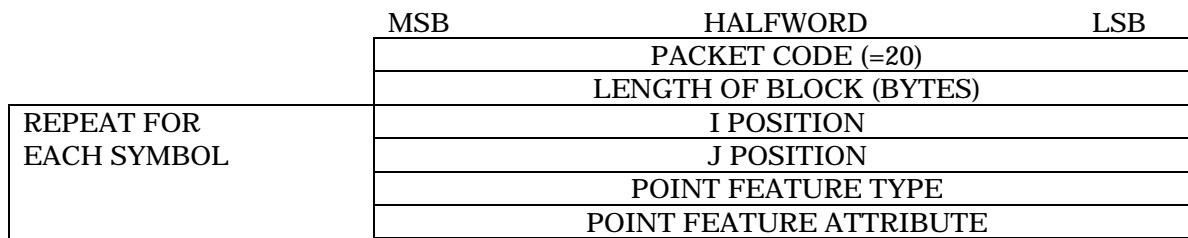
Figure 3-13. Wind Barb Data Packet

	MSB	HALFWORD	LSB
MESOCYCLONE		PACKET CODE (=3 or 11)	
		LENGTH OF BLOCK (BYTES)	
REPEAT FOR EACH SYMBOL		I POSITION	
		J POSITION	
		RADIUS OF MESOCYCLONE	
TVS or ETVS	MSB	HALFWORD	LSB
		PACKET CODE (=12 or 26)	
		LENGTH OF BLOCK (BYTES)	
REPEAT FOR EACH SYMBOL		I POSITION	
		J POSITION	
HAIL POSITIVE (FILLED)	MSB	HALFWORD	LSB
		PACKET CODE (=13)	
		LENGTH OF BLOCK (BYTES)	
REPEAT FOR EACH SYMBOL		I POSITION	
		J POSITION	
HAIL PROBABLE	MSB	HALFWORD	LSB
		PACKET CODE (=14)	
		LENGTH OF BLOCK (BYTES)	
REPEAT FOR EACH SYMBOL		I POSITION	
		J POSITION	

Figure 3-14. Special Graphic Symbol Packet (Sheet 1)

	MSB	HALFWORD	LSB
STORM ID		PACKET CODE (=15)	
REPEAT FOR EACH SYMBOL		LENGTH OF BLOCK (BYTES)	
		I POSITION	
		J POSITION	
	CHARACTER 1		CHARACTER 2
HDA HAIL	MSB	HALFWORD	LSB
REPEAT FOR EACH SYMBOL		PACKET CODE (=19)	
		LENGTH OF BLOCK (BYTES)	
		I POSITION	
		J POSITION	
		PROB. OF HAIL	
		PROB. OF SEVERE HAIL	
		MAX HAIL SIZE	
SCIT PAST/ FORECAST DATA	MSB	HALFWORD	LSB
		PACKET CODE (=23 or 24)	
		LENGTH OF BLOCK (BYTES)	
		DISPLAY DATA PACKETS	
		•	
		•	
STI CIRCLE	MSB	HALFWORD	LSB
		PACKET CODE (=25)	
		LENGTH OF BLOCK (6 BYTES)	
		I POSITION	
		J POSITION	
		RADIUS OF CIRCLE	

Figure 3-14. Special Graphic Symbol Packet (Sheet 2)



FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ACCURACY	REMARKS
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	20	N/A	Packet Type (Note 1)
Length of Block	INT*2	Bytes	8 to 32760	1	Number of bytes in block not including self or packet code
I Position	INT*2	Km/4	-2048 to +2047	1	I starting coordinate
J Position	INT*2	Km/4	-2048 to +2047	1	J starting coordinate
Point Feature Type	INT*2	N/A	1 to 4, 5 to 8, 9-11	1	1 = mesocyclone (extrapolated) 2 = 3-D correlated shear (extrapolated) 3 = mesocyclone (persistent, new, or increasing) 4 = 3-D correlated shear (persistent, increasing, or new) 5 = TVS (extrapolated) 6 = ETVS (extrapolated) 7 = TVS (persistent, new, or increasing) 8 = ETVS (persistent, new, or increasing) 9 = MDA Circulation with Strength Rank >= 5 AND with a Base Height <= 1 km ARL or with its Base on the lowest elevation angle. 10 = MDA Circulation with Strength Rank >= 5 AND with a Base Height > 1 km ARL AND that Base is not on the lowest elevation angle. 11 = MDA Circulation with Strength Rank < 5
Point Feature Attribute	INT*2	Type dependent, see remarks.	Type dependent, see remarks.	Type dependent, see remarks.	For feature types 1-4, 9, 10, 11, radius in km/4

Figure 3-14. Special Graphic Symbol Packet (Sheet 3)

	MSB	HALFWORD	LSB
	PACKET CODE (=21)		
	LENGTH OF BLOCK (BYTES)		
	CELL ID C1	CELL ID C2	
	I POSITION		
	J POSITION		
REPEAT FOR EACH TREND CODE	TREND CODE		
	# VOLUMES		LATEST VOL PTR
	VOL. 1 TREND DATA		
	•		
	VOL N TREND DATA		

FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	21	N/A	Packet Type 21
Length of Block	INT*2	Bytes	12 to 198	1	Number of bytes to follow in this packet
Cell ID C1	8 bit ASCII	N/A	A to Z	N/A	First character of cell ID
Cell ID C2	8 bit ASCII	N/A	0 to 9	N/A	Second character of cell ID
I Position	INT*2	Km/8	-4096 to +4095	1	Cell I coordinate at latest Volume Scan
J Position	INT*2	Km/8	-4096 to +4095	1	Cell J coordinate at latest Volume Scan
Trend Code	INT*2	N/A	1 to 8	1	Indicates trend data type to follow: 1 = cell top 2 = cell base 3 = max. ref. hgt. 4 = prob. hail 5 = prob. svr. hail 6 = cell based VIL 7 = max. ref. 8 = centroid hgt.

FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	3, 11 to 15, 19, 23 to 26	N/A	Packet Type (Note 1)
Length of Block	INT*2	Bytes	1 to 32767	1	Number of bytes in block not including self or packet code
I Position	INT*2	Km/4	-2048 to +2047	1	I starting coordinate
J Position	INT*2	Km/4	-2048 to +2047	1	J starting coordinate
Radius of Mesocyclone	INT*2	Km/4	-2048 to +2047	1	A radius of 0 indicates that no mesocyclone is present and I, J coordinates are set to 0,0.
Character 1	Char	8-bit ASCII	A to Z	N/A	First character of Storm ID
Character 2	Char	8-bit ASCII	0 to 9	N/A	Second character of Storm ID
Probability of Hail	INT*2	N/A	0 to 100, -999	10	Probability in Percent (Note 2)
Probability of Severe Hail	INT*2	N/A	0 to 100, -999	10	Probability in Percent (Note 2)
Max Hail Size	INT*2	Inches	0 to 4	1	Maximum expected hail size
Display Data Packet	INT*2	N/A	N/A	N/A	Past or forecast position data for a Single storm cell. Consists of packet code 2, (Figure 3-8b), packet code 6*(Figure 3-7) or packet code 25 (Figure 3-14)
Radius of STI Circle	INT*2	Pixels	1 to 512	1	Radius of circle

Note 1.A packet code of 11 indicates 3-D correlated shear. Packet code 23 for past position data, packet code 24 for forecast position data, and packet code 25 for current position. Packet code 12 is for TVS position data and packet code 261 is for ETVS position data.

Note 2.A value of -999 indicates that these cells are beyond the maximum range for algorithm processing.

Figure 3-15. Cell Trend Data Packet (Sheet 1)

FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
# Volumes	INT*1	N/A	1 to 10	1	Number of volume scans of trend data for this trend code in the circular list
Latest Vol PTR	INT*1	N/A	1 to 10	1	Pointer to the latest volume scan in the circular list
Vol 1 Trend Data	INT*2	Note 1	Note 1	Note 1	Trend data for each scan in the circular list
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.					
.					
Vol N Trend Data					

TREND CODE	UNITS	SCALE FACTOR	SCALED RANGE	PRECISION	REMARKS
1	Feet	/100	0 to 1700	100 Feet	Note 2
2	Feet	/100	0 to 1700	100 Feet	Note 2
3	Feet	/100	0 to 700	100 Feet	
4	Percent	1	0 to 100	10 Percent	Note 3
5	Percent	1	0 to 100	10 Percent	Note 3
6	kg/m**2	1	0 to 100	1 kg/m**2	
7	dBZ	1	0 to 75	1 dBZ	
8	Feet	/100	0 to 700	100 Feet	

- Note 1: The following defines the units, scale factor, range and precision for each trend code:
 Note 2: If the value is over 700, then 1000 has been added to denote that the CELL TOP (BASE) was detected on the highest (lowest) elevation scan.
 Note 3: Flag values of -999 denote that an UNKNOWN value (i.e. the cell is outside the maximum hail processing range).

Figure 3-15. Cell Trend Data Packet (Sheet 2)

CELL TREND VOLUME SCAN TIMES	PACKET CODE (=22)	
	LENGTH OF BLOCK (BYTES)	
	# VOLUMES	LATEST VOL PTR
	VOL TIME 1	
	•	
	•	
	VOL TIME N	

FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	22	N/A	Packet Type 22
Length of Block	INT*2	Bytes	4 to 22	1	Number of bytes to follow in this packet
# Volumes	INT*2	N/A	1 to 10	1	Number of cell trend volume scan times in the circular list
Latest Vol PTR	INT*2	N/A	1 to 10	1	pointer to the latest cell trend volume scan time in the circular list
Vol Time 1	INT*2	Minutes	0 to 1439	1	Circular list of cell trend volume scan times in minutes after midnight (seconds are truncated)
•					
•					
Vol Time N					

Figure 3-15a. Cell Trend Volume Scan Times

MSW	HALFWORD	LSB
REPEAT FOR EACH SUPEROB CELL WITH AN AVERAGE RADIAL VELOCITY	PACKET CODE (=27)	
	LENGTH OF PACKET (MSW)	
	LENGTH OF PACKET (LSW)	
	ELEVATION ANGLE	
	LATITUDE (MSW)	
	LATITUDE (LSW)	
	LONGITUDE (MSW)	
	LONGITUDE (LSW)	
	HEIGHT	
	AVERAGE RADIAL VELOCITY	
	STD OF THE AVERAGE RADIAL VELOCITY	
	TIME DEVIATION	
	AVERAGE AZIMUTH	

Figure 3-15b. SuperOb Wind Data Packet (Sheet 1)

Packet 27 would be used in the Product Symbology Block. Each packet would represent a complete elevation scan. Multiple packets would be contained in a single data layer. If there is no data in the elevation scan, the packet "Length of Block" would be set to 2 bytes. There could be more packets than elevation angles in the VCPs since a mixture of VCPs result in reporting all the elevation angles which are separated by 0.35 degrees.

Maximum packet size is based on full data coverage extending out to 100 km range and with spatial parameters of 2 degrees by 1 km is 324002 bytes. However, default adaptable parameters (5 km by 6 degrees) result in a maximum packet size of 21602 bytes.

A SuperOb-cell is defined as a region bounded by adaptable range and azimuth limits (default 6 degrees by 10 km). The geographic center-point of cells are positioned at an azimuth and range at a multiples of $\frac{1}{2}$ of the cell dimensions (e.g., 0 deg/5km, 0 deg/15km, ... 6deg/5 km,... 354deg/95km). However, the position of the average radial velocity (i.e., latitude, longitude, height, and azimuth) is the average of the radar bin positions used in the average radial velocity computation.

The product is generated once an hour (default) at 30 minutes past the hour regardless of the position of the antenna with the VCP.

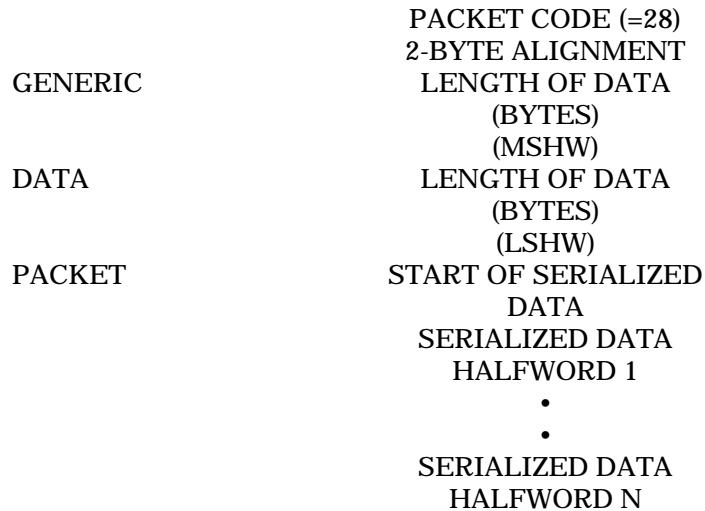
What if the radar data stops before the end of the time period, complete product at the scheduled time?

If the radar is down for the full hour, don't need to generate a product.

FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ACCURACY	REMARKS
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	27	N/A	Packet Code 27
Packet Length (MSW)	INT*4	Bytes	2 to 324002	1	Number of bytes to follow in this packet
Elevation Angle	INT*2	Degrees	-1.0 to +45.0	0.1	Angle of the Elevation Scan
Latitude (MSW)	INT*4	Degrees	-90 to +90	0.001	North (+) or South (-) of the Equator of the cell
Longitude (MSW)	INT*4	Degrees	-180 to +180	0.001	East (+) or West (-) of the Prime Meridian of the cell
Longitude (LSW)					
Height	INT*2	Meters	-100 to 21336	1	Height above sea level of the cell
AVG Radial Velocity	INT*2	Meters/Second	-127 to +126	0.01	Mean radial velocity for the cell
Standard Dev. of Ave. Radial Velocity	INT*2	Meters/Second	0 to 255	1	Standard deviation of mean velocity
Time Deviation	INT*2	Seconds	-5400 to +5400	1	Deviation from Base Time of the average time of all velocity samples in the SuperOb cell
Azimuth Average	INT*2 (Note 1)	Degrees	0 to 359	0.01	Average azimuth angle of all velocity samples in the SuperOb cell.

Note 1: The Azimuth Average is an unsigned 16-bit value.

Figure 3-15b. SuperOb Wind Data Packet (Sheet 2)



FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ACCURACY	REMARKS
Packet Code	INT*2	N/A	28	N/A	Packet Type 28
2-Byte Alignment	INT*2	N/A	0	N/A	Needed for full word alignment.
Length of Serialized Data	INT*4	Bytes	0 to maximum 4-byte integer value	1	Number of bytes to follow in this packet.
Serialized Data	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Serialized data returned from Generic Data Packet serializing function. See Note 1.

Figure 3-15b Generic Data Packet (Sheet 3)

Note 1: The Generic Data Packet is designed to be a flexible, platform independent data representation wherein the information describing the data is contained in the data itself. Information for each product that typically has been included in this Interface Control Document such as a parameter's definition, data type, range, precision and scaling, is encoded in the serialized data.

An API, available from the Radar Operations Center upon request, contains a function to create the serialized data. This function is one of several available that facilitate the creation of serialized data for those wishing to build a product composed of a Generic Data Packet. There are also functions available in the API for those wishing to decipher a product that contains a Generic Data Packet. The API consists of a C source file, C header file and documentation. The API is a convenient interface to the platform-independent XDR standard format used for the internal data representation of the serialized data.

Table IX. Product Dependent Definition for Stand-Alone Tabular Alphanumeric Block

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/ PRECISION	REMARKS
STORM STRUCTURE	Radar ID	N/A	0 to 999	N/A	
	Volume Scan Start Date	N/A	Months: 1 to 12 Days: 1 to 31 Years: 0 to 99	N/A	
	Volume Scan Start Time	N/A	Hours: 0 to 23 Minutes: 0 to 59 Seconds: 0 to 59	N/A	
	Number of Storms Cells	N/A	0 to 100	1	
	Storm Cell ID	Alphanumeric	A0 through Z0, then A1 through Z1, then A2 ...Z9	N/A	The sequence is recycled following Z9 Note 1
	Storm Positions: • Azimuth • Range	degrees nmi	0 to 360 0 to 248	1 1	Note 1
	Storm Base	Kft	0.0 to 70.0	0.1	If the storm base was identified at the lowest elevation, the value is qualified with "<". Note 1
	Storm Top	Kft	0.0 to 70.0	0.1	If the storm top was identified at the highest elevation, the value is qualified with ">". Note 1
	Cell Based VIL	kg/m ²	0 to 120	1	Note 1
	Maximum Reflectivity	dBZ	0 to 95	1	Note 1
	Height of Maximum Reflectivity	Kft	0.0 to 70.0	0.1	Note 1
	Site	See Remarks	See Remarks	See Remarks	See Table

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/ PRECISION	REMARKS
	Adaptable Parameters				LXVIII, Site Adaptation Data in Radar Product Generation Program, 2820003, Pt1.
USER ALERT MESSAGE	Radar ID	N/A	0 to 999	N/A	
	Volume Scan Start Date	N/A	Months: 1 to 12 Days: 1 to 31 Years: 0 to 99	N/A	
	Volume Scan Start Time	N/A	Hours: 0 to 23 Minutes: 0 to 59 Seconds: 0 to 59	N/A	
	Alert Area	N/A	1 or 2	1	
	Position: • Azimuth • Range	Degrees nmi	0.0 to 359.9 0.0 to 250.0	0.1 0.1	Position is the alert grid box center for grid based alerts, feature base center for mesocyclone and TVS alerts, not applicable for VAD and 1 HR rainfall alerts, and Storm cell centroid for all other alerts.
	Alert Category	N/A	See Table IV	1	
	Alert Threshold	See Remarks	See Remarks	See Remarks	See Table LXVIII, Site Adaptation Data in Radar Product Generation Program, 2820003, Pt1

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/ PRECISION	REMARKS
	Exceeding Value	See Remarks	See Remarks	See Remarks	See Table LXVIII, Site Adaptation Data in Radar Product Generation Program, 2820003, Pt1
	Storm Cell ID	Alphanumeric	A0 through Z0, then A1 through Z1, then A2....Z9	N/A	Storm ID sequence is recycled following Z9
	Forecast Movement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Direction • Speed 	Degrees Kts	" " or 0 to 360 0 to 999	1 1	" " indicates that the information is unavailable since alert is not related to a storm ID.
FREE TEXT MESSAGE	Message Text	ASCII	All ASCII Characters	N/A	
PUP TEXT MESSAGE SUPPLEMENTAL PRECIPITATION DATA	Message Text	ASCII	All ASCII Characters	N/A	
	Radar ID	N/A	0 to 999	N/A	
	Average Scan Date	N/A	Months: 1 to 12 Days: 1 to 31 Years: 0 to 99	N/A	
	Average Scan Time	N/A	Hours: 0 to 23 Minutes: 0 to 59	N/A	
	No. Blockage Bins Rejected	N/A	0 to 99999	1	
	No. Clutter Bins Rejected	N/A	0 to 99999	1	
	No. Bins Smoothed	N/A	0 to 99999	1	
	Percent Hybrid Scan Filled	%	0.00 to 100.00	0.01	
	Highest Elev. Angle used in Hybrid Scan	Deg	0.00 to 19.50	0.01	
	Hybrid Scan Rain Area	Km**2	0.00 to 99999.99	0.01	

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/ PRECISION	REMARKS
Time Continuity Flag	Alphanumeric		Passed or Failed	N/A	
Mean-field Bias Estimate	N/A		.01 to 99.99	.01	
Effective # Gage-Radar Pairs (Sample Size)	N/A		0.00 to 9999.99	.01	
Memory Span used in Bias Estimate	Hours		.001 to 10**7	.001	
Bias Applied Flag	Alphanumeric		Yes or No	N/A	
Begin Missing Period Date	N/A		Months: 1 to 12 Days: 1 to 31 Years: 0 to 99	N/A	
Begin Missing Period Time	N/A		Hours: 0 to 23 Minutes: 0 to 59	N/A	
End Missing Period Date	N/A		Months: 1 to 12 Days: 1 to 31 Years: 0 to 99	N/A	
End Missing Period Time	N/A		Hours: 0 to 23 Minutes: 0 to 59	N/A	
Volume Coverage Pattern	N/A		1 to 1000		
Operational (Weather) Mode	N/A		A, B or M	N/A	
Average Scan Date (Last Bias Update)	N/A		Months: 1 to 12 Days: 1 to 31 Years: 0 to 99	N/A	
Average Scan Time (Last Bias Update)	N/A		Hours: 0 to 23 Minutes: 0 to 59	N/A	
Memory Span, per evaluation timespan	Hours		0.001 to 10**7	.001	
Effective # Gage-Radar Pairs, per	N/A		0.00 to 9999.99	.01	

PRODUCT NAME	CONTENT	UNITS	RANGE	ACCURACY/ PRECISION	REMARKS
	evaluation timespan				
	Average Gage Value, per evaluation timespan	mm	0.00 to 99.99	.01	
	Average Radar Value, per evaluation timespan	mm	0.00 to 99.99	.01	
	Mean-field Bias Estimate, per evaluation timespan	N/A	0.01 to 99.99	.01	

	MSB	HALFWORD	LSB
MESSAGE HEADER BLOCK (see Figure 3-3)			
GENERAL STATUS BLOCK	10	(-1) BLOCK DIVIDER	
	11	LENGTH OF BLOCK	
	12	MODE OF OPERATION	
	13	RDA OPERABILITY STATUS	
	14	VOLUME COVERAGE PATTERN	
	15	NUMBER OF ELEVATION CUTS	
	16	ELEVATION 1	
	17	ELEVATION 2	
	•	•	
	•	•	
	35	ELEVATION 20	
	36	RDA STATUS	
	37	RDA ALARMS	
	38	DATA TRANSMISSION ENABLE	
	39	RPG OPERABILITY STATUS	
	40	RPG ALARMS	
	41	RPG STATUS	
	42	RPG NARROWBAND STATUS	
	43	REFLECT. CALIB. CORR.	
	44	RESERVED FOR PUP USE	
	45	SPARE	
	46	SPARE	
	47	SPARE	
	48	SPARE	
	49	RDA CHANNEL NUMBER	
	50	RESERVED	
	51	RESERVED	
	52	BUILD VERSION	

Figure 3-17. General Status Message (Sheet 1)

HALFWORD	FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
10	Block Divider	INT*2	N/A	-1	N/A	Integer -1, block divider
11	Length of Block	INT*2	Bytes	82	1	Number of bytes to follow
12	Mode of Operation	INT*2	N/A	0 to 2	N/A	Where: 0 = Maintenance Mode 1 = Clear Air Mode 2 = Precipitation/Severe Weather Mode
13	RDA Operability Status	Integer	N/A	0,1/Bit	Bit 15=LSB	Where: Bit 15=1 Automatic Calibration Disabled Bit 14=1 Online Bit 13=1 Maintenance Action Required Bit 12=1 Maintenance Action Mandatory Bit 11=1 Commanded Shutdown Bit 10=1 Inoperable Bit 9 Spare Bit 8=1 Wideband Disconnect Bits 7-0 Spare Bits 15-10, 8=0 Indeterminate: if all bits are zero, then the RPG determines the status
14	Volume Coverage Pattern	INT*2	N/A	1 to 767	1	RDA Volume Coverage Pattern for the scan strategy being used
15	Number of Elevation Cuts	INT*2	N/A	1 to 20	1	Maximum elevation cuts = 20
16	Elevation 1	Scaled Integer	Degrees	-1.0 to +45.0	.1	Elevation angle elevation 1
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HALFWORD	FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
35	Elevation 20	Scaled Integer	Degrees	-1.0 +45.0	.1	Elevation angle for elevation 20. NOTE: If the number of elevation cuts N, is less than 20, then elevations N+1 through 20 are zeros
36	RDA Status	Integer	N/A	0,1/Bit	Bit 15=LSB Bit 15 Bit 14=1 Bit 13=1 Bit 12=1 Bit 11=1 Bit 10=1 Bit 9=1 Bit 8-0 Bits 14-9=0	Where: Spare Startup Standby Restart Operate Playback Off-line Operate Spares Indeterminate; if all bits are zero, then the RPG cannot determine the status
37	RDA Alarms	Integer	N/A	0,1/Bit	Bit 15=LSB Bit 15=1 Bit 14=1 Bit 13=1 Bit 12=1 Bit 11=1 Bit 10=1 Bit 9=1 Bit 8=1 Bit 7=1 Bits 6-0 Bits 15-7=0	Where: Indeterminate; the RPG cannot determine the alarms present Tower/Utilities Pedestal Transmitter Receiver/Signal Processor RDA Control Wideband (RDA/RPG) Wideband (User) Archive II Spares No Alarms; if all bits are zero, then there are no alarms present
38	Data Transmission Enabled	Integer	N/A	0,1/Bit	Bit 15=LSB Bit 15=1 Bit 14=1 Bit 13=1 Bit 12=1	Where: Spare None Reflectivity Velocity

HALFWORD	FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
39	RPG Operability Status	Integer	N/A	0,1/Bit	Bit 11=1 Bits 10-0 Bit 15=LSB	Spectrum Width Spares Where:
40	RPG Alarms	Integer	N/A		Bit 15=1 Bit 14=1 Bit 13=1 Bit 12=1 Bit 11=1 Bits 10 to 0 Bit 15=LSB	Loadshed On-line Maintenance Action Required Maintenance Action Mandatory Commanded Shutdown Spares Where:
					Bit 15=1 Bit 14=1 Bit 13=1 Bit 12=1 Bit 11=1 Bit 10=1 Bit 9=1 Bit 8=1 Bit 7=1 Bit 6=1 Bit 5=1 Bit 4=1 Bit 3=1 Bit 2=1 Bit 1=1 Bit 0=1	No Alarms CPU Loadshed Memory Loadshed RPG Control Task Failure Data Base Failure Spare RPG Input Buffer Loadshed (Wideband) Archive III Loadshed Product Storage Loadshed BDDS User Failure Archive III Failure MLOS FAS Failure RPG/RPG Intercomputer Link Failure Redundant Channel Error Task Failure Media Failure
41	RPG Status	Integer	N/A	0,1/Bit	Bit 15=LSB Bit 15=1 Bit 14=1 Bit 13=1 Bit 12=1 Bit 11=1 Bit 10-0 Bit 15=LSB	Where: Restart Operate Standby Spare Test Mode Spares Where:
42	RPG Narrowband Status	Integer	N/A	0,1/Bit		

HALFWORD	FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
43	Reflectivity Calibration Correction	Scaled Integer	db/4	-40 to 40	Bit 15=1 Bit 14=1 Bit 13-0 1	Commanded Disconnect Narrowband Loadshed Spares Reflectivity Calibration to 25 dB+ or -, dB resolution (-10 to + 10 dB) (difference from adaptation data)
44	Reserved for PUP use					
45-48						
49	RDA Channel Number	Integer	N/A	0,1,2	N/A	0 = NWS single thread 1 = RDA 1 2 = RDA 2 for NWS redundant or FAA redundant
50-51	Reserved					Halfword 50 & 51 are applicable to dial-up (Class II, Class IV, and Class V [RFC]) user only
52	Build Version	Scaled Integer	N/A	10 to 32767		RPG Build Version

Note: RDA Alarms reflect the controlling channel.

Figure 3-17. General Status Message (Sheet 2)

	MSB	HALFWORD	LSB
		MESSAGE HEADER BLOCK (see Figure 3-3)	
REQUEST	10	BLOCK DIVIDER (-1)	
RESPONSE	11	LENGTH OF BLOCK	
BLOCK		ERROR CODE (MSW)	
	12		
	13	(LSW)	
	14	SEQUENCE NUMBER	
	15	PRODUCT/MESSAGE CODE	
	16	ELEVATION ANGLE	
	17	VOLUME NUMBER	
	18-24	SPARES (7 HALFWORDS)	

Figure 3-18. Request Response Message (Sheet 1)

HALFWORD	FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
10	Block Divider	INT*2	N/A	-1	N/A	Integer -1, Block Divider
11	Length of Block	INT*2	Bytes	26	1	Number of bytes to follow
12-13	Error Code	Integer	N/A	0,1/Bit	Bit 31=LSB Bit 0=1 Bit 1=1 Bit 2=1 Bit 3=1 Bit 4=1 Bit 5=1 Bit 6=1 Bit 7=1 Bit 8=1 Bit 9=1 Bit 10=1 Bit 11=1 Bit 12=1 Bit 13 Bit 14 Bit 15 Bit 16 Bit 17	Where: No Such Message Code No Such Product Code Product Not Generated (Not Available in Data Base) One-Time Request Generation Process Faulted Narrowband Loadshed Illegal Request RPG Memory Loadshed RPG CPU Loadshed (Note 1) Unavailability of Slots (Real-Time, Replay or Customized) Failure (Task Failed) Unavailable (Task Not Loaded Upon Startup) Available Next Volume Scan Moment Disabled Bit 13 is Reserved and Not Applicable to Associated PUPS Spare Aborted Volume Scan (Note 2) Invalid Product Parameters Product Not Generated (Data

HALFWORD	FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
						Sequence Error) Note 3
					Bit 18	Task Failure (Self-Terminated)
					Bits 19-31	Spares
14	Sequence Number	INT*2	N/A	-13, 0 to 32767	1	Sequence number of request that caused response
15	Product/Message Code	INT*2	N/A	-16 to -299, 16 to 299	N/A	Product/Message code as defined in Table II, that caused response
16	Elevation Angle	Scaled Integer	Degrees	-1.0 to +45.0	.1	Elevation angle of radar for requested product
17	Volume Scan Date	INT*2	Julian Date	1 to 32767	1	Modified Julian Date; integer number of days since Jan. 1, 1970
18-19	Volume Scan Start Time	INT*4	Seconds GMT	0 to 86399	1	Number of seconds after midnight, Greenwich Mean Time (GMT)
20-24	Spares					

Note 1: The RPG has not implemented the CPU Loadshed functionality that will generate an alarm.

Note 2: The following conditions will cause ABORTED VOLUME SCAN: Commanded VCP Restart (either via operator command or Mode Deselection) or Unexpected Start of Volume Scan.

Note 3: Product Not Generated (Data Sequence Error) is caused when VCP number changes unexpectedly, Azimuth Tolerance Exceeded in the initial elevation cut of volume, RDA Elevation Number Changes Unexpectedly, or Start of Elevation Y Expected, But Start Of Elevation received. In addition, any sequence error encountered during task processing ...e.g. the task is not processing radial messages fast enough and its input buffers are lost at the expense of new input buffers.

Figure 3-18. Request Response Message (Sheet 2)

	MSB	HALFWORD	LSB
MESSAGE HEADER BLOCK (see Figure 3-2)			
10		BLOCK DIVIDER (-1)	
11		ALERT STATUS	
12		ALERT AREA NUMBER	
13		ALERT CATEGORY	
14		THRESHOLD CODE	
15		THRESHOLD VALUE (MSW)	
16		THRESHOLD VALUE (LSW)	
17		EXCEEDING VALUE (MSW)	
18		EXCEEDING VALUE (LSW)	
19		GRID BOX AZIMUTH	
20		GRID BOX RANGE	
21	STORM CELL ID C1		STORM CELL ID C2
22		VOLUME SCAN NUMBER	
23		VOLUME SCAN DATE	
24		VOLUME SCAN START TIME (MSW)	
25		VOLUME SCAN START TIME (LSW)	

Figure 3-19. Alert Message (Sheet 1)

HALF WORD	FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
10	Block Divider	INT*2	N/A	-1	N/A	Integer value of -1, used to delineate the header from the Alert Message Block
11	Alert Status	INT*2	N/A	1 to 2	N/A	1 = First Time Alert 2 = Alert Ended
12	Alert Area Number	INT*2	N/A	1 to 2	N/A	Area number of alert as defined per user
13	Alert Category	INT*2	N/A	1 to 41	N/A	Alert category number as defined by Table IV
14	Threshold Code	INT*2	N/A	1 to 6	N/A	Parameter dependent threshold code that triggers alert (Refer to Table IV)
15-16	Threshold Value	INT*4	-	-	-	Parameter dependent data value corresponding to the user defined threshold code (Refer to Table LXVIII in 2820003, Pt1)
17-18	Exceeding Value	INT*4	-	-	-	Parameter dependent data value (maximum detected) which triggered the alert (Refer to Table LXVIII in 2820003, Pt1)
19	Grid Box Azimuth	Scaled Integer	Degrees	0.0 to 359.9	.1	Identifies the location of the grid box that triggered the alert. This halfword has no meaning for a cancelled alert.
20	Grid Box Range	Scaled Integer	Nmi	0.0 to 186.0	.1	Identifies the location of the grid box that triggered the alert. This halfword has no meaning for a canceled alert.
21	Storm ID C1	Char	8-bit ASCII	A to Z, blank	N/A	First character of Storm Cell ID associated with alert, when applicable (A-Z)
21	Storm ID C2	Char	8-bit ASCII	0 to 9, blank	N/A	Second character of Storm Cell ID
22	Volume Scan	INT*2	N/A	1 to 80	1	Identifies the volume

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HALF WORD	FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
	Number					scan when alert was triggered
23	Volume Scan Date	INT*2	Julian Date	1 to 32767	1	Identifies the volume scan date when the alert was triggered or canceled. (Modified Julian Date: integer number of days since Jan 1970.)
24-25	Volume Scan Time	INT*4	Seconds GMT	0 to 86399	1	Identifies the volume scan when the alert was time triggered or canceled. (Number of seconds after midnight, Greenwich Mean Time (GMT).)

Figure 3-19. Alert Message (Sheet 2)

MSB	HALFWORD	LSB
MESSAGE HEADER BLOCK (see Figure 3-3)		
10 BLOCK DIVIDER (-1)		
11 LENGTH OF BLOCK		
REPEAT FOR EACH ALERT CATEGORY (MAX = 41)	12	ALERT GROUP
	13	ALERT CATEGORY
	14	NUMBER OF ALLOWABLE THRESHOLDS
	15	THRESHOLD 1
	•	•
	•	•
	•	•
20 THRESHOLD 6		
21 PRODUCT ID		

Figure 3-20. Alert Adaptation Parameters Message (Sheet 1)

HALF WORD	FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
10	Block Divider	INT*2	N/A	-1	N/A	Integer value of -1, used to delineate the header from the Alert Adaptation Data Parameters
11	Length of Block	INT*2	Bytes	820	1	Number of bytes to follow from -1 divider to end of block
12	Alert Group	INT*2	N/A	0 to 3	1	1 = Grid Group 2 = Volume Group 3 = Forecast Group
13	Alert Category	INT*2	N/A	0 to 41	1	Alert category number as defined by Table IV
14	Number of Allowable Thresholds	INT*2	N/A	0 to 6	1	Parameter dependent threshold code that triggers alert (refer to Table IV)
15-20	Threshold Value	INT*2	-	-	-	Parameter dependent data value corresponding to the user defined threshold code (refer to Table LVIII in 2820003, Pt1)
21	Product Code	INT*2	N/A	0, 16 to 299	1	Product Code as defined in Table III for product alert pairing, with the following exceptions: Product Code of 91 corresponds to SWR(43), SWV(44), SWW(45), and SWS(46); Product code of 92 corresponds to SWR(43), SRR(55), SWW(45), and SWS(46).

NOTE: The RPG transmits the Alert Adaptation Parameters Message upon Narrowband link connection, or if any changes are mad to either Product Alert Pairing or Alert Thresholds. Zero in range denotes spares.

Figure 3-20. Alert Adaptation Parameters Message (Sheet 2)

MSB	HALFWORD	LSB
MESSAGE HEADER BLOCK (see Figure 3-2)		
PRODUCT LIST MESSAGE BLOCK	10 (-1) BLOCK DIVIDER	
	11 LENGTH OF BLOCK	
	12 NUMBER OF PRODUCTS	
	13 RESERVED	
REPEAT FOR EACH PRODUCT	14 PRODUCT CODE	PRODUCT DEPENDENT (SEE TABLE X)
	15 ELEVATION	
	16 PARAMETER 1	
	17 PARAMETER 2	
	18 PARAMETER 3	
	19 PARAMETER 4	
	20 DISTRIBUTION CLASS	

Figure 3-21. Product List Message (Sheet 1)

HALF WORD	FIELDNAME	TYPE	UNITS	RANGE	PRECISION/ ACCURACY	REMARKS
10	Block Divider	INT*2	N/A	-1	N/A	Integer -1, block divider
11	Length of Block	INT*2	Bytes	4 to 8408	1	Number of bytes in block from -1 divider to end of the block.
12	Number of Products	INT*2	N/A	0 to 600	1	Number of Products on list
13	Reserved	-	-	-	-	Reserved for dial-up users
14	Product Code	INT*2	N/A	16 to 299	1	Internal NEXRAD product code from Table III
15	Elevation	Scaled Integer	Degrees	-1.0 to +45.0	.1	Elevation of product
16	Parameter 1	-	-	-	-	Product dependent (Refer to Table X)
17	Parameter 2	-	-	-	-	Product dependent (Refer to Table X)
18	Parameter 3	-	-	-	-	Product dependent (Refer to Table X)
19	Parameter 4	-	-	-	-	Product dependent (Refer to Table X)
20	Distribution Class	INT*2	N/A	0 to 20	1	Distribution class for individual products: 0 = Available for one-time product request 1 = Repeat every volume scan 2 = Repeat every other volume scan 9 9 20 = Repeat every 20 th volume scan

Figure 3-21. Product List Message (Sheet 2)

Table X. Product List Message Parameter Definition

Product Name (see Note 1)	Message Code	Slice	Parameter 1 (see Note 2)	Parameter 2 (see Note 2)	Parameter 3 (see Note 2)	Parameter 4 (see Note 2)
Base Products	16-30	Elevation	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
User Selectable Layer Reflectivity	137	N/A	Bottom Altitude of Layer	Top Altitude of Layer	N/A	N/A
Severe Weather Analysis	43, 44, 45, 46	Elevation	Azimuth of Window Center	Range of Window Center	N/A	N/A
Cross Section	50, 51, 85, 86	N/A	Azimuth of Point 1	Range of Point 1	Azimuth of Point 2	Range of Point 2
Weak Echo Region	53	N/A	Azimuth of Window Center	Range of Window Center	Elevation Bit Map Bits 0 - 15	Elevation Bit Map Bits 16 - 31
Storm Relative Mean Radial Velocity Region	55	Elevation	Azimuth of Window Center	Range of Window Center	Storm Speed	Storm Direction
Storm Relative Mean Radial Velocity Map	56	Elevation	N/A	N/A	Storm Speed	Storm Direction
Velocity Azimuth Display	84	Altitude	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Mesocyclone Rapid Update	139	Elevation	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Tornado Vortex Signature Rapid Update (TRU)	143	Elevation	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
User Selectable Snow Water Equivalent and User Selectable Snow Depth	150, 151	N/A	End Hour	Time Span	N/A	N/A

Note 1: The units, range and accuracy/precision for the above parameters are identical to the parameters listed in Table II- -A. Products that are completely defined by (message) product code (Slice and Parameters 1- -4 are N/A) are as follows: 32-- 41, 47, 48, 57- -75, 78-- 83 and 87-- 90.

Note 2: For Parameters 1-4, if parameter is N/A, the value is undefined.

THE RADAR CODED MESSAGE

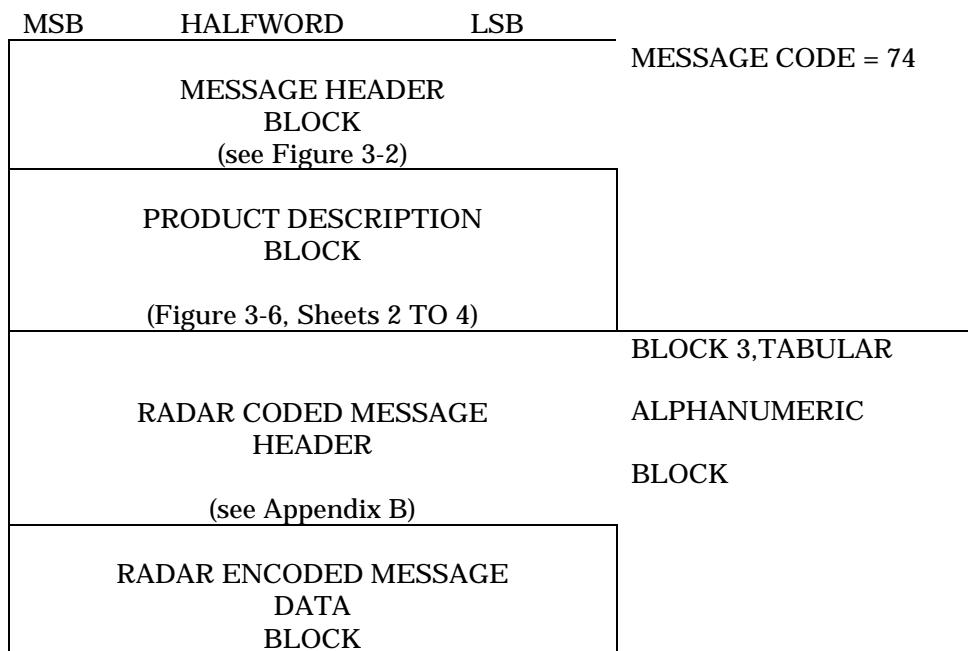


Figure 3-22. Radar Coded Message

	MSB	HALFWORD	LSB
		Message	
		Header	
		Block	
		(See Figure 3-3)	
		Block Divider (-1)	
		Block ID	
		Version Number	
		Block Length	
		AWIPS Site ID (MSW)	
		AWIPS Site ID (LSW)	
		Radar ID (MSW)	
		Radar ID (LSW)	
		Observation Time: Year	
		Observation Time: Month	
		Observation Time: Day	
		Observation Time: Hour	
		Observation Time: Minute	
		Observation Time: Second	
		Generation Time: Year	
		Generation Time: Month	
		Generation Time: Day	
		Generation Time: Hour	
		Generation Time: Minute	
		Generation Time: Second	
		No. Rows (in Bias Table)	
REPEAT		Bias Table Row n: Memory Span (MSW)	
		Bias Table Row n: Memory Span (LSW)	
FOR		Bias Table Row n: No. G-R Pairs (MSW)	
		Bias Table Row n: No. G-R Pairs (LSW)	
EACH		Bias Table Row n: Avg. Gage (MSW)	
		Bias Table Row n: Avg. Gage (LSW)	
ROW		Bias Table Row n: Avg. Radar (MSW)	
		Bias Table Row n: Avg. Radar (LSW)	
(MEMORY SPAN)		Bias Table Row n: Mean Field Bias (MSW)	
		Bias Table Row n: Mean Field Bias (LSW)	

Figure 3-25. Bias Table Message (Sheet 1)

Field Name	Type	Units	Range	Acc/Prec	Remarks
Block Divider	INT*2	N/A	-1	N/A	Integer value of -1 used to delineate this block from the Message Header block
Block ID	INT*2	N/A	1	N/A	Value of 1 indicates "Bias Table" type of Environmental Data ¹
Version Number	INT*2	N/A	0 to 99	1	Initial=0, then 1, 2...
Block Length	INT*2	N/A	70 to 270	1	Length of block in bytes (from -1 divider to end of block)
AWIPS Site ID (MSW)/ AWIPS Site ID (LSW)	CHAR*4	N/A	N/A	N/A	ID of AWIPS site (RFC or WFO) from which message originates (leading blank +3 chars)
Radar ID (MSW) / Radar ID (LSW)	CHAR*4	N/A	N/A	N/A	ID of destination radar (leading blank +3 chars)
Observation Time: Year	INT*2	N/A	1970-2099	1	Ending date/time of Gage-Radar accum. period in Bias Table
Observation Time: Month	INT*2	N/A	1-12	1	"
Observation Time: Day	INT*2	N/A	1-31	1	"
Observation Time: Hour	INT*2	N/A	0-23	1	"
Observation Time: Minute	INT*2	N/A	0-59	1	"
Observation Time: Second	INT*2	N/A	0-59	1	"
Generation Time: Year	INT*2	N/A	1970-2099	1	Date/time of generation of Bias Table (will be later than Obs.time)
Generation Time: Month	INT*2	N/A	1-12	1	"
Generation Time: Day	INT*2	N/A	1-31	1	"
Generation Time: Hour	INT*2	N/A	0-23	1	"
Generation Time: Minute	INT*2	N/A	0-59	1	"
Generation Time: Second	INT*2	N/A	0-59	1	"
No. Rows (in Table)	INT*2	N/A	2-12	1	No. Memory Spans evaluated (default: 10)
Memory Span (MSW) / Memory Span	Log, then Scaled Int ²	Hours	.001 - 1. x 10**7	.001	Period of Gage-Radar Analysis

Field Name	Type	Units	Range	Acc/Prec	Remarks
(LSW)					
No. G-R Pairs (MSW) / No. G-R Pairs (LSW)	Scaled Integer	N/A	.001 - 1. x 10**5	.001	Effective sample size (No. Gage-Radar Pairs)
Avg. Gage (MSW) / Avg. Gage (LSW)	Scaled Integer	mm	0.00-254.00	.001	Avg. Hourly Gage Accum.
Avg. Radar (MSW) / Avg. Radar (LSW)	Scaled Integer	mm	0.00-254.00	.001	Avg. Hourly Radar Accum.
Bias (MSW) / Bias (LSW)	Scaled Integer	N/A	.01-100.00	.001	Mean-field Bias (Avg. Gage/Avg. Radar ratio)

¹ For messages containing Environmental Data from external source to RPG (as indicated by Message Code 15 in Message Header), Message Block ID indicates specific type of Environmental Data.

² First take (natural) logarithm, then scale by 1000.

Figure 3-25. Bias Table Message (Sheet 2)

APPENDIX A. GLOSSARY

Acronym/ <u>Abbreviation</u>	Description
A	Address Sequence
ABM	Asynchronous Balanced Mode
ACCUM	Accumulation
ADAPT	Adaptation
ADM	Asynchronous Disconnect Mode
ALT	Altitude
ANSI	American National Standards Institute
ARO	Asynchronous Respond Opportunity
ASCII	American Standard Code for Information Interchange
AZ	Azimuth
BA	Balanced, Asynchronous Balanced Mode (Same as ABM)
Beg	Beginning
Bit	Binary Digit
Block	A related set of bytes containing control information or data. A block is a component of a message.
bps	Bits per second
C	Control Sequence
Cal	Calibration
CALIB	Calibration
CCITT	Consultative Committee International Telephone and Telegraph
Char	Character
CKT	Circuit
CLIN	Contract Line Item Number
CM	Cubic Meters
Comp	Composite
Const	Constant
CPC	Calcomp Pen Command
CPCI	Computer Program Configuration Item
CPU	Central Processor Unit
CRC	Cyclical Redundancy Checking
dBZ	Reflectivity, in decibels
DCE	Data Circuit-Terminating Equipment
deg	Degree
Dig	Digital
Dir	Direction
DISC	Disconnect
DM	Disconnected Mode
DTE	Data Terminal Equipment
EIA	Electronic Industries Association
Err	Error
Ext	External
F or Flag	Flag Sequence
FCS	Frame Check Sequence
Flg	Flag

<u>Acronym/ Abbreviation</u>	<u>Description</u>
Frame	A segment of a bit stream bounded by a uniquely recognizable bit sequence and containing a specified number of bits or bytes of data.
FRMR	Frame Reject
GFS	General Format Specifier
GMT	Greenwich Mean Time
Halfword	Two bytes (16 bits)
Header	A set of bits or bytes contained in a bounded segment of information which provides a label or control information to the remaining contents of the segment.
Hgt	Height
Hword	Halfword (16 bits)
I	Information
I-field	Information field
I-frame	Information frame
ICD	Interface Control Document
ID	Identification
IEB	Industrial Electronics Bulletin
INT*2	One halfword of integer data in standard 2's compliment format
INT*4	One fullword (32 bits) of integer data in standard 2's compliment format
Int	Integer
Integ	Integrated
Integer	Bit stream of 1s and 0s, represented as an integer number, not formatted in 2's compliment format (i.e., 32,768 integer code would represent setting the MSB of a halfword).
ISO	International Organization for Standardization
ITS	Information Transfer State
kg	Kilogram
km	Kilometer
kfs	Kilofeet
kts	Knots
LAPB	Link Access Procedure, Balanced
LCG	Logical Channel Group
LDS	Logically Disconnected State
LFM	Limited Fine Mesh
Liq	Liquid
LSB	Least Significant Bit
LSW	Least Significant Word
MAX	Maximum
Message	The complete set of information transported from the source to the destination. A message may be a product, product request, data, data request, or NEXRAD control information.
MSB	Most Significant Bit
Msg	Message
MSL	Mean Sea Level

<u>Acronym/ Abbreviation</u>	<u>Description</u>
MSW	Most Significant Word
N(r)	Receive sequence variable
N(s)	Send sequence variable
NMI	Nautical Mile
N/A	Not Applicable
NAVAIDS	Navigational Aids
Neg	Negative
NEXRAD	Next Generation Weather Radar
Num	Number
NTR	NEXRAD Technical Requirements
OP	Operation
OS	Operating System
OSI	Open Systems Interconnection
PDB	Product Description Block
Pos	Positive
Prec	Precipitation
Prob	Probability
Product	A collection of information that is self contained and provides a complete representation of a graphical image or an alphanumeric message.
PUP	Principal User Processor Group
PVC	Permanent Virtual Circuit
RAD	Radial
RCM	Radar Coded Message
RDA	Radar Data Acquisition Group
Real*4	One fullword (32 bits) of real data, where the MSB is the Sign-bit, followed by a 7 bit Exponent and a 24 bit Mantissa
Reflect	Reflectivity
Reflect.Calib.Corr.	Reflectivity Calibration Correction
r.	
REJ	Reject
RES	Resolution
RFC	River Forecast Center
RGDAC	Rain Gage Data Acquisition Computer
RLE	Run Length Encoded
RMS	Root Mean Square
RNR	Receiver Not Ready
RPG	Radar Product Generation Group
RPGOP	Radar Product Generator Operational Position
RR	Receiver Ready
SABM	Set Asynchronous Balanced Mode
Scaled Integer	Integer values with an assumed decimal point whose position is defined by the precision of the item
SCN	Specification Change Notice
Sec	Second
SD	Snow Depth
sq	Square
Spd	Speed

<u>Acronym/ Abbreviation</u>	<u>Description</u>
SPR	Software Problem Report
SR	Signaling Rate Selector
SW	Spectrum Width
SWE	Snow Water Equivalent
SWP	Severe Weather Probability
TAB	Tabular
TM	Test Mode
Turb	Turbulence
TWA	Two-Way Alternate Transmission
TWS	Two-Way Simultaneous Transmission
UA	Unnumbered Acknowledgment
UCP	Unit Control Position
UI	Unnumbered Frame
VAD	Velocity Azimuth Display
Var	Variation
Vel	Velocity
VIL	Vertically Integrated Liquid
VME	Versa Module Eurocard
VMECS	Versa Module Eurocard Communication Subsystem
Wd	Width
ZBID	Zero-Bit Insertion and Deletion

APPENDIX B. RADAR CODED MESSAGE

Header

The header is encoded as follows:

ccc	The communications node (PUP site identifier).
ROBEE	The product category for edited radar coded message.
ROBUU	The product category for unedited radar coded message.
sidd	(C/R)Four-letter RDA site identifier. (Example: cccROBEE sidd (C/R))

Part A of the message is encoded as follows:

/NEXRAA	Part A indicator.
sidd	Four letter RDA site identifier.
ddmmmyyttt	The day (dd) of the month (mm), the year (yy) and the time (ttt) to the nearest minute in Greenwich Mean Time (GMT).
edited or unedited	Status of message.
RADNE	A group to encode no reportable reflectivity intensity values shall be provided; i.e., field NI _{nnnn} is zero. This shall be corrected after graphic editing.
RANDOM	A group to encode radar down for maintenance shall be provided.
/Mdnnnn	A group of six characters to encode operational mode shall be provided. Choices are PCPN and CLAR. (Example: /MDPCPN)
/SCnnnn	A group of six characters to encode scan strategy shall be provided. Refer to Appendix I of NTR. Choices are 1405 (14 scans in 5 minutes), 0906, 0510, etc. (Example: /SC1405)
/NI _{nnnn}	The total number (nnnn) of intensities (NI) reported in the following field (gggi) shall be encoded. This group shall be corrected after editing, if editing is performed (Example: /NI0144)
gggi	Reflectivity intensity shall be mapped onto the 1/16 LFM grid (ggg). Encode locations and intensities by a series of groups made up of three letters (1/16 LFM) followed by the maximum intensity of the designated grid box. The three letters (in order) shall be row, column, and sub-grid. The numbers following represent intensities in succeeding sub-grid boxes in that row; that is, encode each 1/16 LFM grid box from west to east, starting with the northern-most row with data, followed by the next southern row, etc. In the interest of compacting the message, successive intensities of different or similar values may be listed after a single location as long as the intensities are continuous. When succeeding grid boxes contain the same intensity value, the number of succeeding boxes with the same value may be designated by a letter of the alphabet; that is, if four succeeding 1/16 LFM grid boxes (a total of five boxes) are at level 2, they could be coded as GGG2D. The "2D" may also be followed by different intensity values. Location/intensity groups shall be separated by a comma. (Example: ABF112D33I, BCA1211)
/MThhh:ggg	The location and height (MSL) of the maximum echo top (MT) within 230 km radius of the radar shall be encoded using the three-letter grid designator (ggg) and assigning the height coinciding with echo top product in hundreds of feet (hhh). (Example: /MT320:NLB)
/NCENnn:	The total number (nn) of centroids (NCEN) reported in this portion of the message shall be encoded. This number shall correspond to the corrected centroids below. (Example: /NCEN04:)
Cnnggg ddddff	The centroid (C) number (nn), location (grid box) (ggg), direction from which it is

moving (in 1-degree increments) (ddd), and its speed (fff) in knots, shall be encoded. Successive groups shall be separated by commas. If, during editing, data are deleted in a grid box that contains a centroid, this group shall be corrected by deleting this centroid. (Example: C03QMB240012)

/ENDAA(C/R) A group to indicate the end of Part A.

Part A of the message is encoded as follows:

The following is a summary example of the components of Part A:

/NEXRAA sidd 2812881330 EDITED (C/R)
/MDnnnn /SCnnnn /NIlnnn:
gggiii. . .i,gggiii...1
/MThhh:ggg
/NCEENnn: Cnnggg dddfff, Cnnggg dddfff
/ENDAA (C/R)

Part B: VAD Winds

Part B of the RCM contains a single profile of the horizontal wind information derived from the output of the VAD algorithm. Part B of the message is encoded as follows:

/NEXRBB Part B indicator.
sidd Four letter RDA site identifier.
ddmmmyytttt The day (dd) of the month (mm), the year (yy), and the time (tttt), to the nearest minute, in GMT.
VADNA The optional entry VADNA shall be encoded for instances when no VAD wind data available for the last 15 minutes, if appropriate.
hhhcfffff Coded heights (hhh) in hundreds of feet MSL; confidence 3 level, using RMS for the coded height; wind direction (ddd) and wind speed (fff), in knots, shall coincide with those derived from the VAD Winds product. The confidence level shall be encoded as a single letter in accordance with the following:
A = RMS of 2 kts; B = RMS of 4 kts;
C = RMS of 6 kts; D = RMS of 8 kts;
E = RMS of 10 kts; F = RMS of 12 kts;
G = RMS of greater than
or equal to 14 kts.

Wind direction and speed, as output from the VAD Algorithm, shall be reported at up to 19 heights, in feet MSL. Default heights are:

1,000	6,000	12,000	25,000
2,000	7,000	14,000	30,000
3,000	8,000	16,000	35,000
4,000	9,000	18,000	50,000
5,000	10,000	20,000	

(Example: 080C240060)

/ENDBB (C/R) End of Part B indicator.

The following is a summary example of the components of Part B:

/NEXRBB sidd 2812881330 (C/R)

hhhcddffff ,hhhcddffff ,hhhcddffff
/ENDBB (C/R)

Part C: Remarks

Part C of the Radar Coded Message contains remarks in an alphanumeric format. Automatically generated remarks provide information on the locations of tornadic vortex signatures, mesocyclones, centroids, storm tops and hail indices. The automated portion of Part C is encoded as follows:

/NEXRCC	Part C indicator.
sidd	Four letter RDA site identifier.
ddmmmyyttt	The day (dd) of the month (mm), the year (yy) and the time (ttt) to the nearest minute in GMT.
/NTVSnn:	The total number (nn) of Tornado Vortex Signatures (NTVS) detected by the TVS algorithm and reported in Part C shall be encoded (Example: /NTVSO3:).
TVSnnggg	The location (ggg) and number identifier (nn) of each Tornado Vortex Signature (TVS) shall be encoded using the three-letter grid box designator (Example: TVS02NLB).
/NMESnn:	The total number (nn) of mesocyclones and areas of uncorrelated shear (NMES) detected by the Mesocyclone Detection algorithm and reported in Part C shall be encoded (Example: /NMESO5:).
Mnnggg:	The location (ggg) and number identifier (nn) of each mesocyclone or area of uncorrelated shear (M) shall be encoded using the three-letter grid box designator (Example: M03JLC).
/NCENnn:	The total number (nn) of centroids (NCEN) reported in Part C shall be encoded (Example: /NCENO8:).
Cnnggg	The height (hhh) in hundreds of feet (MSL), of the storm top (S), as derived from the Storm Structure algorithm, for each centroid 3 identified in Part A to include location (ggg) shall be encoded. The centroid identifier number (nn) is the same as given in Part A.
ShhhHi	The hail (H) index (I), as provided by the Hail algorithm, is also given as one of the four following data levels: N - no hail; P - possible or probable hail; H - hail; U - unknown (Example: C04QQD S440HP).

In addition to the automatically generated remarks, Part C provides for optional manual entries. A template is provided containing the fixed part of the groups listed below. The only groups to be sent are those to which data are added. It should be noted that the absence of a remark does not imply that the phenomenon does not exist.

/PCTRyyyy,aaa:gg	Precipitation type and intensity trend. Precipitation type (yyyy) may be coded for a representative area of the display. The type is variable and up to four characters in length. The intensity trend (aaa) is also variable in length and up to three characters in length. The location (gg) is reported using the two letter identifier for the 1/4 LFM grid.
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For convective echo systems, the characteristic type of precipitation as defined as that type associated with the maximum observed intensity. For non-- convective echo systems, the type of precipitation is defined as that type predominant in horizontal extent. If precipitation is reaching the surface, report that type. Precipitation types are:

Precipitation	Symbol
Rain	R
Rain Shower	RW
Freezing Rain	ZR
Freezing Rain Shower	ZRW
Snow	S
Snow Shower	SW
Drizzle	L
Freezing Drizzle	ZL
Ice Pellet	IP
Ice Pellet Shower	IPW

Designate areas believed to be associated with thunderstorms with the symbol T preceding the precipitation symbol.

Evaluate the intensity trend in terms of the net Change in the characteristic intensity during a period of 1 hour for lines and areas and 15 minutes for cells.

Report the intensity trend as increasing (+) or decreasing (- -), if during the period, the net change in characteristic intensity (dBZe) changes from one intensity level to another.

If the net change in the characteristic intensity during the period does not change categories, report the intensity trend as NC (no change).

Report echo systems as NEW (new development) if they originated during the period specified above. Areas or lines that develop from a cell or cells during the hour preceding the report shall be reported as NEW.

For a mixed system, consisting of a liquid characteristic type of precipitation and a frozen secondary type, report the intensity trend of the liquid precipitation.

Intensity trend symbols are:

Symbol	Trend
+	Increasing
-	Decreasing
NC	No Change
NEW	New

(Example: PCTRRW,NEW:LO,LP)

/LEWP:gg A line echo wave pattern (LEWP) shall be encoded using the two letter 1/4 LFM grid box location (gg) (Example: /LEWP:KJ,LK,MK,NK,OK,PL).

/BASEhhh:gg The base of an elevated layer (BASE) shall be encoded in hundreds of feet (hhh) (MSL) using the two letter identifier for the 1/4 LFM grid location (gg) (Example: /BASE090:LO,MO).

/MALFhhh:gg The occurrence of precipitation which is mostly aloft (MALF) shall be encoded. The height (hhh) is reported in hundreds of feet (MSL) and the location (gg) is the 1/4 LFM grid identifier (Example: /MALF050:KP,KQ).

/PALFhhh:gg The occurrence of precipitation which is partially aloft (PALF) shall be encoded. The height (hhh) is reported in hundreds of feet (MSL) and the location (gg) is the 1/4 LFM grid identifier (Example: /PALF050:PM,PN).

/MLTQLVhh The height (hhh) of the melting level (MLTQLV) in hundreds of feet (MSL)

shall be encoded (Example: /MLTLVL075).
/EYEdddfffcc:ggg: The location (ggg) of the eye of a hurricane or tropical storm (EYE), the (LATeee.ex, direction (ddd) from which it is moving and the speed (fff), in knots, LONeee ey of movement shall be encoded. Confidence in the fix (cc) is reported as good (GF), fair (FF), or poor (PF). Further, the location of the eye shall also be encoded in latitude (LAT) and longitude (LON). The location shall be expressed in whole degrees and tenths (eee.e) with provision for specifying north (N), south (S), east (E), or west (W) as appropriate. (Example: /EYE1600I0GF:00A;LAT28.4N, LON178.5W).

/CNTRdddfcc:ggg: LATeee.ex LONeee.ey The location (ggg) of the center of a hurricane or tropical storm (CNTR), the direction (ddd) from which it is moving and the speed (fff) of movement, in knots, shall be encoded. Further, the location of the center shall also be encoded in latitude (LAT) and longitude (LON). The location shall be expressed in whole degrees and tenths (eee.e) with provision for specifying north (N), south (S), east (E), or west (W) as appropriate. (Example: /CNTR160005:00A;LAT28.4N;LON178.5W)

/REM: This space is for any other remarks not covered in the above remarks.
/EDITED: int If the radar coded message has been edited (EDITED) the editor shall report such, adding his/her initials (int) (Example: /EDITED:DSS).

/ENDCC (C/R) End of Part C indicator

The following is a summary example of the components of Part C:

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/NEXRCC sidd 2812881330 (C/R)
/NTVSnn: TVSnmggg,TVSnnggg,TVSnnggg
/NMESnn: Mnnggg,Mnnggg,Mnnggg
/NCENnn: Cnnggg ShhhHi,Cnnggg ShhhHi,Cnnggg ShhhHi
/PCTRyyy,aaa:gg
/LEWP:gg,gg,gg,gg
/BASEhhh:gg,gg,gg
/MALFhhh:gg,gg
/PALFhhh:gg,gg
/MLTLVLhhh
/EYEdddfcc:ggg:LATeee.ex,LONeee.ey
/CNTRdddfcc:ggg:LATeee.ex,LONeee.ey
/REM:
/UNEDITED:int
/ENDCC (C/R)
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At the end of the message, the following group is sent:

/ENDALL (C/R) A group to indicate end of message shall be provided.

APPENDIX C. DATA TRANSMISSION CHARACTERISTICS

Table XI. Application Data Sizes

Typical Maximum Application Data Size Estimates (Note 1)

Product Code	Mnemonic	Message Size All VCPs
0	Prod. Req.	For RPS list = .05 x # of prod on list. For OTR = .05
2	GSM	.124
3	Request	.048
	Resp.	
4	Max.	.028
	Connect	
6	Alert	.064
	Adapt.	
7	Alert Req.	.550
8	Prod. List	.026 + (.014 x # of prod on list)
9	Alert	.05
10	RCM Edit	.034
	Req.	
11	Sign On	.036
12	Request	.018
	PUP Status	
13	Prod. Req.	.05
	Cancel	
14	PUP Status	.1

NOTE 1: All product sizes are estimated maximum based on Build 4.0 testing and sizes are given in Kilobytes where (1 Kilobyte = 1024 bytes).

Table XII. VCP 11 Product Size

PRODUCT CODE	PRODUCT MNEMONIC	ELEVATION	MIN SIZE (Bytes)	MAX SIZE (Bytes)	AVERAGE SIZE (Bytes)	MEDIAN SIZE (Bytes)
17	R	3.4	10882	11486	11241	11266
18	R	0.5	10756	11150	10958	10940
18	R	1.5	9636	10130	9873	9844
18	R	2.4	8504	8988	8765	8810
18	R	3.4	7706	8220	7990	8016
19	R	0.5	29130	29864	29634	29674
19	R	1.5	27240	29048	28066	27862
19	R	2.4	25510	26980	26197	26036
19	R	3.4	22830	24200	23443	23538
19	R	4.3	19546	22420	20802	20416
67	APR		3030	3214	3122	3096
73	UAM		782	5380	2061	1438
74	RCM		2710	2780	2760	2780
78	OHP		5734	12696	11233	11988
79	THP		12278	12278	12278	12278
80	STP		17486	18112	17782	17746
81	DPA		2592	10984	8012	8538
82	SPD		2834	2834	2834	2834
84	VAD		3828	6702	5914	6176
87	CS		8584	8824	8697	8677
89	LRA		2236	2386	2315	2308
90	LRM		3004	3086	3055	3050
93	DBV	0.5	44558	44558	44558	44558
93	DBV	1.5	44558	44558	44558	44558
93	DBV	2.4	44558	44558	44558	44558
93	DBV	3.4	36650	36650	36650	36650
93	DBV	4.3	29270	29350	29327	29350
94	DR	0.5	45422	49361	47540	47424
94	DR	1.5	41268	45532	43257	43074
94	DR	2.4	34849	38184	36276	36106
94	DR	3.4	29339	34208	31659	31529
94	DR	4.3	24316	30184	27288	27518
95	CRE		24032	28696	27745	28246
96	CRE		6574	11118	10340	10938
97	CRE		31520	36152	34731	35074
98	CRE		7946	12504	11700	12284
99	DV	0.5	84409	94614	87733	87238
99	DV	1.5	79320	86532	81680	80620
99	DV	2.4	77767	87576	81842	81522
99	DV	3.4	74043	85500	78812	78969
99	DV	4.3	64770	79918	72260	73260
132	CLR	0.5	38626	40314	39584	39568
132	CLR	1.5	39252	40008	39594	39596
132	CLR	2.4	33556	34138	33871	33836

PRODUCT CODE	PRODUCT MNEMONIC	ELEVATION	MIN SIZE (Bytes)	MAX SIZE (Bytes)	AVERAGE SIZE (Bytes)	MEDIAN SIZE (Bytes)
132	CLR	3.4	29284	30054	29717	29872
132	CLR	4.3	24890	27272	26082	25944
133	CLD	0.5	31492	32390	31928	32074
133	CLD	1.5	30546	31892	31424	31416
133	CLD	2.4	29900	31218	30582	30604
133	CLD	3.4	29400	30902	30141	30194
133	CLD	4.3	26886	29438	28336	28240
134	DVL		46993	47780	47439	47437
135	EET		24167	24855	24543	24523
136	SO		126736	138016	132376	132376
137	ULR		15140	23998	19750	19720
138	DSP		44676	44676	44676	44676
139	MRU	0.5	1320	5030	3559	3786
139	MRU	1.5	2834	5122	3912	4076
139	MRU	2.4	2846	5204	4040	4146
139	MRU	3.4	2916	5214	4221	4228
139	MRU	4.3	2950	5628	4346	4240
139	MRU	5.3	2950	5708	4352	4272
139	MRU	6.2	2950	5708	4430	4782
139	MRU	7.5	2950	5730	4467	4826
139	MRU	8.7	2950	5730	4495	4848
139	MRU	10.0	2950	5730	4500	4848
139	MRU	12.0	2950	5730	4501	4848
139	MRU	14.0	2950	5730	4501	4848
139	MRU	16.7	2950	5730	4501	4848
139	MRU	19.5	2094	4816	3601	3786
141	MD		120	3120	2030	2022
143	TRU	0.5	120	1870	1438	1558
143	TRU	1.5	120	1870	1438	1558
143	TRU	2.4	120	1870	1528	1558
143	TRU	3.4	120	1870	1549	1662
143	TRU	4.3	120	1870	1552	1662
143	TRU	5.3	120	1870	1552	1662
143	TRU	6.2	120	1870	1552	1662
143	TRU	7.5	120	1870	1552	1662
143	TRU	8.7	120	1870	1552	1662
143	TRU	10.0	120	1870	1552	1662
143	TRU	12.0	120	1870	1552	1662
143	TRU	14.0	120	1870	1552	1662
143	TRU	16.7	120	1870	1552	1662
143	TRU	19.5	120	1870	1438	1558
144	OSW		2836	30442	21748	29077
145	OSD		2836	28706	20813	27721
146	SSW		15496	22940	19808	20308
147	SSD		15538	20266	18197	18516
149	DMD	0.5	3103	4417	3659	3607

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149	DMD	1.5	3354	4798	4153	4201
149	DMD	2.4	4081	5830	4970	4986
149	DMD	3.4	4338	6524	5439	5426
149	DMD	4.3	4605	6869	5646	5650
149	DMD	5.3	4665	7169	5888	5879
149	DMD	6.2	4674	7450	6076	6190
149	DMD	7.5	4656	7671	6209	6295
149	DMD	8.7	4658	7859	6287	6470
149	DMD	10.0	4675	7851	6363	6573
149	DMD	12.0	4918	7997	6417	6690
149	DMD	14.0	4900	7982	6464	6740
149	DMD	16.7	4869	8169	6496	6746
149	DMD	19.5	4935	8155	6478	6622
150	USW		3082	3082	3082	3082
151	USD		3082	3082	3082	3082

Table XIII. VCP 12 Product Size

PRODUCT CODE	PRODUCT MNEMONIC	ELEVATION	MIN SIZE (Bytes)	MAX SIZE (Bytes)	AVERAGE SIZE (Bytes)	MEDIAN SIZE (Bytes)
16	R	0.5	14334	17910	16264	16475
16	R	0.9	12086	17910	15164	15242
16	R	1.3	10036	16314	12527	12003
16	R	1.8	9904	11094	10610	10820
17	R	0.5	12746	13846	13257	13302
17	R	0.9	11158	13846	12623	12826
17	R	1.3	9704	13090	11247	11182
17	R	1.8	8776	9960	9409	9490
18	R	0.5	8158	8710	8589	8617
18	R	0.9	7122	8710	8143	8027
18	R	1.3	6534	7896	7398	7516
18	R	1.8	6158	6978	6571	6554
18	R	2.4	5754	6426	6098	6066
19	R	0.5	16950	22954	20172	20489
19	R	0.9	13654	22954	18257	18199
19	R	1.3	11152	18940	14268	13337
19	R	1.8	10978	12204	11746	11844
19	R	2.4	11196	12550	11881	12006
20	R	0.5	14472	17398	15874	15848
20	R	0.9	12400	17398	14774	14779
20	R	1.3	10360	15132	12450	12124
20	R	1.8	9404	10552	10081	10192
20	R	2.4	8934	10070	9551	9758
21	R	0.5	9486	10838	10085	10049
21	R	0.9	8308	10838	9439	9412
21	R	1.3	6890	9338	8164	8151
21	R	1.8	6518	7328	6966	6998
22	V	0.5	28006	35776	29280	28917
22	V	0.9	18934	35776	25629	28025
22	V	1.3	16914	28270	20763	21068
22	V	1.8	17074	20626	19317	19692
23	V	0.5	23410	32676	25994	25384
23	V	0.9	16638	32676	22893	23487
23	V	1.3	15430	24450	18582	18384
23	V	1.8	15100	17278	16412	16484
24	V	0.5	17936	22346	19335	18902
24	V	0.9	13856	22346	17552	17936
24	V	1.3	13508	17746	15273	15309
24	V	1.8	13372	14898	14263	14382
25	V	0.5	32152	34528	33610	33762
25	V	0.9	23996	34528	30744	31027
25	V	1.3	21398	29902	26948	28221
25	V	1.8	20028	28042	25449	26298
26	V	0.5	27238	31100	29223	29247
26	V	0.9	20308	31100	26517	26848

PRODUCT CODE	PRODUCT MNEMONIC	ELEVATION	MIN SIZE (Bytes)	MAX SIZE (Bytes)	AVERAGE SIZE (Bytes)	MEDIAN SIZE (Bytes)
26	V	1.3	18754	26458	22823	23413
26	V	1.8	17014	22482	20598	21048
27	V	0.5	20340	22658	21313	21271
27	V	0.9	16258	22658	19749	20340
27	V	1.3	15814	19796	17901	18246
27	V	1.8	14758	18038	16853	17146
28	SW	0.5	41934	45846	43111	42965
28	SW	0.9	33398	45846	39751	41463
28	SW	1.3	27394	40992	34293	34691
28	SW	1.8	26558	35890	30736	31534
29	SW	0.5	33158	42384	36340	36009
29	SW	0.9	26630	42384	32991	33368
29	SW	1.3	23024	34350	27821	27829
29	SW	1.8	21692	27626	24309	24820
30	SW	0.5	23708	27834	25188	25017
30	SW	0.9	19952	27834	23347	23808
30	SW	1.3	18374	24248	20763	20842
30	SW	1.8	17526	20768	19051	19382
31	USP		280	376	283	280
32	DHR		85716	85716	85716	85716
33	HSR		12012	17660	15034	15320
35	CR		25204	28052	26587	26688
36	CR		7570	9584	8863	8891
37	CR		29696	33646	31438	31530
38	CR		8298	10276	9526	9655
41	ET		1866	1998	1936	1936
47	SWP		206	276	266	276
48	VWP		5578	11200	9097	9436
56	SRM	0.5	19522	22448	20705	20438
56	SRM	0.9	16556	22448	19376	19588
56	SRM	1.3	15882	19588	17656	17626
56	SRM	1.8	14678	17892	16566	16774
57	VIL		1506	1684	1583	1573
58	STI		4550	10940	8981	9309
59	HI		5594	8914	7386	6942
60	M		3400	5450	4342	4205
61	TVS		2112	2928	2384	2112
62	SS		5758	9850	8355	8302
63	LRA		1744	1850	1789	1784
64	LRA		1684	1836	1755	1747
65	LRM		2544	2992	2751	2738
66	LRM		1970	2150	2083	2092
67	APR		2196	2506	2338	2343
74	RCM		1800	2010	1919	1940
78	OHP		5734	11064	8020	5734
79	THP		5816	5816	5816	5816

PRODUCT CODE	PRODUCT MNEMONIC	ELEVATION	MIN SIZE (Bytes)	MAX SIZE (Bytes)	AVERAGE SIZE (Bytes)	MEDIAN SIZE (Bytes)
80	STP		8940	10490	9750	9794
81	DPA		2592	8316	5036	2592
82	SPD		2834	2834	2834	2834
84	VAD		6444	7070	6759	6742
87	CS		6776	7316	7010	6992
89	LRA		1524	1648	1589	1591
90	LRM		1810	1994	1921	1934
93	DBV	0.5	43582	44070	43948	43948
93	DBV	0.9	43582	44070	43950	43948
93	DBV	1.3	42362	44070	43624	43460
93	DBV	1.8	42606	44070	43830	43948
93	DBV	2.4	43704	44314	43840	43826
94	DR	0.5	168376	168376	168376	168376
94	DR	0.9	167910	168376	168367	168376
94	DR	1.3	148238	168376	160095	167910
94	DR	1.8	133782	138390	137637	138006
95	CRE		21324	23260	22464	22470
96	CRE		7176	9248	8437	8426
97	CRE		23576	25416	24651	24709
98	CRE		7696	9786	8944	8933
99	DV	0.5	329806	333510	332584	332584
99	DV	0.9	329806	333510	332601	332584
99	DV	1.3	320546	333510	330126	328880
99	DV	1.8	322398	333510	331695	332584
132	CLR	0.5	27318	32188	29678	29818
132	CLR	0.9	25394	32188	28400	28330
132	CLR	1.3	20480	29256	24734	24823
132	CLR	1.8	19978	22830	21673	21972
133	CLD	0.5	26450	30698	28209	28172
133	CLD	0.9	23532	30698	26660	26490
133	CLD	1.3	21860	27762	24314	24223
133	CLD	1.8	21214	24406	22660	23022
134	DVL		10149	16880	13274	12788
135	EET		11061	12394	11968	12042
136	SO		42247	114620	78433	78433
137	ULR		17190	21468	20033	20220
138	DSP		44676	44676	44676	44676
139	MRU	0.5	120	3622	2501	2858
139	MRU	0.9	120	3704	2565	2863
139	MRU	1.3	828	3786	2686	2868
139	MRU	1.8	992	3786	2797	2898
139	MRU	2.4	992	3848	2884	2950
139	MRU	3.1	992	3900	3040	3152
139	MRU	4.0	992	4052	3162	3266
139	MRU	5.1	1982	4086	3326	3522
139	MRU	6.4	1982	4168	3343	3535

PRODUCT CODE	PRODUCT MNEMONIC	ELEVATION	MIN SIZE (Bytes)	MAX SIZE (Bytes)	AVERAGE SIZE (Bytes)	MEDIAN SIZE (Bytes)
139	MRU	8.0	1982	4172	3395	3618
139	MRU	10.0	1982	4172	3396	3618
139	MRU	12.5	1982	4172	3396	3618
139	MRU	15.6	1982	4172	3396	3618
139	MRU	19.5	1816	3970	2834	2908
141	MD		136	1890	1347	1562
143	TRU	0.5	120	1454	564	120
143	TRU	0.9	120	1454	564	120
143	TRU	1.3	120	1454	564	120
143	TRU	1.8	120	1454	581	120
143	TRU	2.4	120	1558	688	120
143	TRU	3.1	120	1558	739	120
143	TRU	4.0	120	1558	764	120
143	TRU	5.1	120	1558	846	1454
143	TRU	6.4	120	1558	846	1454
143	TRU	8.0	120	1558	846	1454
143	TRU	10.0	120	1558	846	1454
143	TRU	12.5	120	1558	846	1454
143	TRU	15.6	120	1558	846	1454
143	TRU	19.5	120	1454	564	120
144	OSW					
145	OSD					
146	SSW					
147	SSD					
150	USW					
151	USD					

Table XIV. VCP 121 Product Size

PRODUCT CODE	PRODUCT MNEMONIC	ELEVATION	MIN SIZE (Bytes)	MAX SIZE (Bytes)	AVERAGE SIZE (Bytes)	MEDIAN SIZE (Bytes)
16	R	0.5	19000	21078	20347	20572
16	R	1.5	14868	16966	15787	15794
16	R	2.4	13812	15806	14530	14246
16	R	3.3	12804	14232	13271	13108
16	R	4.3	11138	12576	11524	11286
17	R	0.5	16200	17862	17235	17352
17	R	1.5	12102	13690	12716	12680
17	R	2.4	10562	11946	10983	10782
17	R	3.3	9130	10046	9439	9329
18	R	0.5	10828	11984	11454	11454
18	R	1.5	8068	9328	8568	8452
18	R	2.4	7136	8242	7527	7399
18	R	3.3	6430	7320	6743	6647
19	R	0.5	29606	31364	30437	30389
19	R	1.5	21412	25180	22656	22456
19	R	2.4	19350	22626	20322	20175
19	R	3.3	16830	19332	17704	17587
19	R	4.3	14052	16238	14678	14629
20	R	0.5	22930	24272	23478	23474
20	R	1.5	15986	18486	16671	16483
20	R	2.4	13674	15722	14248	14137
20	R	3.3	11522	13078	12087	12047
21	R	0.5	14824	15526	15137	15084
21	R	1.5	10556	12000	11076	10964
21	R	2.4	9042	10424	9481	9292
21	R	3.3	7944	8986	8345	8257
22	V	0.5	35428	37400	36741	36966
22	V	1.5	37930	43412	41496	42378
22	V	2.4	37478	44076	41640	42316
22	V	3.3	32110	36538	35167	35647
23	V	0.5	33194	36608	35389	35834
23	V	1.5	34302	38874	37267	38014
23	V	2.4	29684	32268	31129	31358
23	V	3.3	26036	27300	26792	26867
24	V	0.5	28486	34022	31882	32096
24	V	1.5	27138	29298	28559	28720
24	V	2.4	23584	25044	24418	24454
24	V	3.3	20454	21392	20844	20786
25	V	0.5	30218	34504	32270	32626
25	V	1.5	33698	37098	35396	35306
25	V	2.4	34930	39890	37855	37850
25	V	3.3	29874	33892	32511	32666
25	V	4.3	22224	24418	23863	24024
26	V	0.5	31330	32690	32244	32338
26	V	1.5	30868	33680	32468	32778

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26	V	2.4	27166	29544	28513	28664
26	V	3.3	23366	25192	24494	24638
27	V	0.5	26180	28324	27324	27475
27	V	1.5	23322	25192	24500	24458
27	V	2.4	21488	22894	22110	22108
27	V	3.3	18848	19862	19283	19269
27	V	4.3	15842	16316	16062	16045
28	SW	0.5	47334	49068	48380	48566
28	SW	1.5	50052	51760	51040	51091
28	SW	2.4	46296	50662	49232	49494
28	SW	3.3	39916	42890	41781	41834
29	SW	0.5	46510	48272	47474	47544
29	SW	1.5	42784	44180	43440	43484
29	SW	2.4	35054	36218	35478	35366
29	SW	3.3	29676	30994	30313	30309
30	SW	0.5	37188	39302	38642	38798
30	SW	1.5	31842	32788	32388	32395
30	SW	2.4	26792	28284	27515	27404
30	SW	3.3	22624	24240	23223	23060
31	USP		280	10268	2390	424
32	DHR		85716	85716	85716	85716
33	HSR		28506	30548	29206	29218
35	CR		35338	40224	39068	39712
36	CR		8064	12580	12136	12482
37	CR		50212	55822	54019	54448
38	CR		10296	14968	14547	14644
41	ET		2744	3274	2933	2857
42	M		2112	2798	2472	2552
43	SWR		1054	1592	1295	1142
44	SWV		2160	2400	2264	2248
45	SWW		2838	6358	4540	3236
46	SWS		1550	4966	3082	1680
47	SWP		276	276	276	276
48	VWP		9218	10388	9516	9453
50	RCS		636	1614	1121	1179
51	VCS		1132	1594	1303	1221
55	SRR		2122	2796	2443	2369
56	SRM	0.5	24536	30380	28649	28911
56	SRM	1.5	22184	26874	26167	26348
56	SRM	2.4	20340	23852	23072	23167
56	SRM	3.3	17870	20710	19572	19626
56	SRM	4.3	15208	17222	16324	16343
57	VIL		2128	2608	2278	2208
58	STI		10438	18062	14424	14080
59	HI		10962	11700	11231	11204
61	TVS		2112	2112	2112	2112

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62	SS		10840	16580	13560	13416
63	LRA		3228	3476	3329	3334
64	LRA		2574	2786	2671	2678
65	LRM		3924	4564	4191	4107
66	LRM		2684	3154	2926	2930
67	APR		3792	4348	4030	3975
73	UAM		782	4066	975	975
74	RCM		2990	3200	3057	3060
78	OHP		5734	13600	12359	12629
79	THP		5816	12278	8476	10122
80	STP		15394	17308	16478	16486
81	DPA		2592	14418	11339	12628
82	SPD		2834	2834	2834	2834
84	VAD		1948	6924	5265	6616
87	CS		8152	9310	8812	8774
89	LRA		1860	1980	1925	1906
90	LRM		2312	2434	2379	2383
93	DBV	0.5	43338	43338	43338	43338
93	DBV	1.5	43338	43338	43338	43338
93	DBV	2.4	43338	43338	43338	43338
93	DBV	3.3	36462	36462	36462	36462
93	DBV	4.3	28710	28710	28710	28710
94	DR	0.5	166046	166046	166046	166046
94	DR	1.5	146110	146520	146141	146110
94	DR	2.4	120510	120510	120510	120510
94	DR	3.3	101966	101966	101966	101966
94	DR	4.3	85830	85830	85830	85830
95	CRE		29602	34454	33637	33930
96	CRE		7762	12250	11819	12158
97	CRE		38892	44804	43287	43392
98	CRE		9740	14418	13898	14210
99	DV	0.5	327954	327954	327954	327954
99	DV	1.5	327954	327954	327954	327954
99	DV	2.4	327954	327954	327954	327954
99	DV	3.3	329806	329806	329806	329806
99	DV	4.3	330732	330732	330732	330732
132	CLR	0.5	38556	39948	39126	39031
132	CLR	1.5	33508	35584	34302	34254
132	CLR	2.4	28910	31358	29713	29489
132	CLR	3.3	25222	27538	25898	25674
133	CLD	0.5	40872	42364	41705	41718
133	CLD	1.5	36092	37724	36993	37047
133	CLD	2.4	31362	33842	32195	31942
133	CLD	3.3	27052	29594	27671	27296
134	DVL		37074	43265	38816	37963
135	EET		25329	28548	26031	25667

PRODUCT CODE	PRODUCT MNEMONIC	ELEVATION	MIN SIZE (Bytes)	MAX SIZE (Bytes)	AVERAGE SIZE (Bytes)	MEDIAN SIZE (Bytes)
136	SO		30561	67536	53762	63190
137	ULR		14198	27482	19552	18898
138	DSP		44676	44676	44676	44676
139	MRU	0.5	120	1402	980	1156
139	MRU	1.5	120	1402	1014	1156
139	MRU	2.4	120	2224	1227	1279
139	MRU	3.3	120	2224	1234	1279
139	MRU	4.3	120	2224	1256	1279
139	MRU	6.0	120	2224	1268	1320
139	MRU	9.9	120	2224	1268	1320
139	MRU	14.6	120	2224	1268	1320
139	MRU	19.5	120	1402	1008	1156
141	MD		136	136	136	136
143	TRU	0.5	120	1454	171	120
143	TRU	1.5	120	1454	171	120
143	TRU	2.4	120	1454	171	120
143	TRU	3.3	120	1454	171	120
143	TRU	4.3	120	1454	171	120
143	TRU	6.0	120	1454	171	120
143	TRU	9.9	120	1454	171	120
143	TRU	14.6	120	1454	171	120
143	TRU	19.5	120	120	120	120
144	OSW					
145	OSD					
146	SSW					
147	SSD					
150	USW					
151	USD					

Bandwidth Estimation Example

The estimated transfer rates for an example Class 1 user RPS list are tabulated below. The estimates only include routine products and not additional one time request (OTR). As indicated in Note 1, this example is for the worse case coverage pattern. VCP 11 is a 14 elevation scan strategy completed in 5 minutes (300 seconds). Omitted in estimates is the additional payload of protocol acknowledgements. The estimate does include calculation for both the default NEXRAD X.25 configuration of 128 byte data packets and the communications option packet size of 512 bytes for each data packet. Reference section 7 for more detail on the 10240 byte product segmentation. The X.25/LAPB overhead consists of: 3 bytes for X.25 + 4 bytes for LAPB + 1 byte for the inter-frame flag.

Table XV. Bandwidth Estimation for an Example Class 1 User RPS List (See Note 1)

Product Code	Product Name	Elevation	Estimated Size (bytes)	With X.25 Overhead (Note 2)	Total	With Satcom X.25 Overhead (Note 3)	Satcom Total
2	GSM		124	8	132	8	132
19	R	.5	29250	1832	31082	784	30034
19	R	1.5	29250	1832	31082	784	30034
19	R	2.4	29250	1832	31082	784	30034
19	R	3.4	29250	1832	31082	784	30034
26	V	.5	24250	1520	25770	704	24954
27	V	1.5	21750	1360	23110	664	22414
27	V	3.4	21750	1360	23110	664	22414
27	V	6.2	21750	1360	23110	664	22414
27	V		21750	1360	23110	664	22414
33	HSR		28250	1768	30018	768	29018
37	CR		45250	2832	48082	1352	46602
56	SRM	.5	20750	1304	22054	648	21398
56	SRM	1.5	20750	1304	22054	648	21398
56	SRM	2.4	20750	1304	22054	648	21398
56	SRM	3.4	20750	1304	22054	648	21398
56	SRM	4.3	20750	1304	22054	648	21398
56	SRM	7.5	20750	1304	22054	648	21398
57	VIL		2750	176	2926	48	2798
58	STI		19500	1224	20724	472	19972
59	HI		11750	736	12486	344	12094
60	M		5750	360	6110	96	5846
47	SWP		500	32	532	8	508
Total Bytes Transferred per 5 Minute Scan				495872	-		
Total Bits Transferred in 300 Second Scan				3966976	-		
Bandwidth Required in Bits per second (bps)				13223.25	-		
Total Bytes Transferred per 5 Minute Scan						480104	
Total Bits Transferred in 300 Second Scan						3840832	
Bandwidth Required in Bits per second (bps)						12802.77	
Note 1: Assumption is VCP 11, which uses a 5 minute (300 sec) scan strategy. This example calculation would be typical of estimating bandwidth for a Class 1 user. The Class 1 user has a dedicated connection and should send a Routine Product Set (RPS) list request dependent upon VCP or precipitation detection. This example does not account for the initial connection data exchanges, e.g. Product codes 6, 7, and 8 or Class 1 (e.g. PUP) status exchanges. Nor does the example include overhead attributed to protocol acknowledgements.							
Note 2: If product size is < 10240 bytes, then data packet overhead is calculated as follows:							
Let P = Product Size, X.25/LAPB/Flag Overhead = 8 bytes							
[dividend of $(P \div 128) + 1$] x 8 bytes							
If product size is > 10240 bytes or multiple of 10240 bytes, then data packet overhead is calculated:							
$80 \times [\text{dividend of } (P \div 10240)] \times [(\text{Remainder of } (P \div 10240) \div 128) + 1] \times 8 \text{ bytes}$							

Note 3: If product size is < 10240 bytes, then data packet overhead is calculated as follows:

Let P = Product Size, X.25/LAPB/Flag Overhead = 8 bytes

[dividend of $(P \div 512) + 1$] x 8 bytes

If product size is > 10240 bytes or multiple of 10240 bytes, then data packet overhead is calculated:

$40 \times [\text{dividend of } (P \div 10240)] \times [(\text{Remainder of } (P \div 10240) \div 512) + 1] \times 8 \text{ bytes}$

APPENDIX D. PRODUCT DATA COMPRESSION USING BZIP2

In order to decompress products having been compressed using bzip2, the libbzip2 library, version 1.0.1 or higher, is required. The source code can be found at the official home page (URL):

<http://sources.redhat.com/bzip2>. This web site contains complete instructions on building the libbzip2 library on a wide range of computer architectures and operating systems. Detailed documentation of the various library functions is also provided.

Within libbzip2, the library function that should be used to decompress the data is:

```
BZ2_bzBuffToBuffDecompress( char *dest,  
    unsigned int destLen,  
    char *source,  
    unsigned int sourceLen,  
    int small,  
    int verbosity).
```

The destination buffer “dest” holds the decompressed product. The destination buffer size “destLen” must be at least as large as the sum of the Message Header block, Product Description block and the compressed product data size given by the Product Dependent Parameters (see Table V). The source “source” points to the compressed product data immediately following the Product Description block. The source length “sourceLen” is the total product size (defined in the Message Header block), less the size of the Message Header and Product Description blocks. Depending on the architecture, “small” can either be 0 (normal case) or non-zero. By specifying a non-zero value for “small”, the library requires less memory utilization at the expense of increased decompression time. The verbosity level can take on any value from 0 to 4 inclusive with higher values denoting greater verbosity.

After the product is decompressed, the products Message Header and Product Description blocks can be prepended to the decompressed product data.